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CROSS PURPOSES.

CHINA'S ABSORBING POLITICAL TANGLE.

FENG'S IMPORTANCE.

Nationalists Still in Two Camps Apart.

HU HAN-MIN'S VISIT TO NANKING.

[By "Li Chung-yin"]

Cross-purposes which re-cross and intersect are revealed in this week's political and military developments in China. Although he has moved away from Nanking, the Nationalist capital, Feng Yu-hsiang (the "Christian General") is still an important factor, weighing as he does the balance of power in the centre and west of North China.

No change has appeared in the deadlock between the Moderates and the Extremist cliques and their respective warlord backers. The turning point now seems to hinge on whether the exile Rightists (some of whom have returned) will attempt to set themselves in power to the exclusion of all others, or seek new alliances.

NEW ALLIANCES?

The most logical construction which can be placed on the refusal, to go to Canton, of Mr. Hu Han-min, General Hsu Chung-chi and others who returned from France this week, is that they are not satisfied merely to constitute the civilian element of a Canton Government subject to the domination of the Kwangsi faction and opposed, on certain major issues to the Central Government at Nanking.

Mr. Hu Han-min, he is referred to as representative of a group and not as an individual, recognises that the scope is wider at Nanking although the hazards are greater. He would be sure of a job in Canton but not in Nanking. In Nanking, however, he might be able to re-establish himself while his old colleagues are at loggerheads.

CIVILIAN ELEMENT.

The Kwangsi faction is opposed to Marshal Chiang Kai-shek who is in hospital and taking little or no part in affairs. Mr. Hu Han-min opposes the Extremists. Chiang Kai-shek came to terms with the Extremists. Will Mr. Hu Han-min also oppose Chiang Kai-shek? The answer to this question is not essential at the moment. If he sided with the Rightists he might secure a leading portfolio in Nanking but he would still be under military direction. The same would happen if he contented himself with a provincial post in Canton.

Present indications are, therefore, that the exiles may be trying to set up a new faction which will co-operate with any civilian element not subservient to military whim.

A NEW STRUGGLE?

No political faction has found it satisfactory to work with the soldiers. When Marshal Chiang Kai-shek strove to make himself head of civil administration he faced violently against the military.

Can it be that the return of Mr. Hu Han-min—with Dr. C.C. Wu, Mr. Sun Fo and other influential men who consistently schemed to thwart the Generals and are on the way back—signals an era of determined competition between the politicians and the soldiers of China?

Hitherto the fighting men have invariably held sway. To quote an instance—Mr. Hu Han-min himself, who was forced to leave China more than once because pressure was brought to bear on him. Today, however, the men with the biggest armies are concentrating on their respective spheres and leaving the Central Government to anybody who will leave them alone.

THE GENERALS.

Chiang Kai-shek is a casualty. His subordinate Generals are content to perform garrison duty in Kiangnan, Chekiang, Anhui and parts of Shantung and Kiangsu provinces.

The Kwangsi faction, led by Marshal Li Chai-sum of Canton and his colleagues, are shifting their best attention to the consolidation of the provinces of Kwangtung, Kwangsi, Hunan

SOME BIG CRICKET WINS.

COUNTY GAMES.

NOTTS, HANTS AND YORKS TAKE FULL POINTS.

HARLEQUINS—676.

Home county cricket was characterised by a number of clear-cut wins. Hants got the better of Sussex by over 100 runs; Notts defeated Worcester by an innings, and Yorks were equally successful over Glamorgan. Surrey again failed to bring their match to a conclusion though they managed to take first innings points from Leicestershire. Kent and Lancashire both won their matches on first innings.

The Harlequins, playing some of Kent's first team, beat the West Indies' eleven very easily. London, Yesterday. Hants Win. Hampshire beat Sussex by 134 runs.

"SOME RAIN."

"Moderate north-east winds, generally cloudy, some rain," is the official forecast till noon tomorrow.

At 10.32 a.m. to-day the Observatory reported:—"The typhoon is central over the north-east portion of the Sea of Japan. A trough of relatively low pressure extends from Indo-China to Guan."

Hants 287 and 160 for 5 declared. Sussex 130 and 183 (Wensley 102, Eoyes 6 for 64).

Visitors Whacked.

The Harlequins beat the West Indies by an innings and 105 runs. West Indies 311 (Small 98 not out) and 260.

Harlequins 676 for 8 declared. (C. Knott 261 not out, Bettington 127, Evans 124).

Easy for Notts.

Nottinghamshire beat Worcestershire by an innings and 21 runs.

Notts 336. Worcester 100 and 215 (Larwood 5 for 42).

Oldroyd 162 Not Out.

Yorkshire beat Glamorgan by an innings and 112 runs. Yorks 433 (Oldroyd 162 not out).

Glamorgan 167. (Macaulay 7 for 57) and 154 (Rhodes 6 for 56).

Hobbs and Barling.

Surrey beat Leicestershire on first innings.

Leicester 242 and 241 for 4.

Surrey 422 for 6 (Hobbs 101, Barling 111 not out.)

Middlesex Follow-on.

Kent beat Middlesex on first innings.

Kent 539 for 9 declared (Chapman 91).

Middlesex 304 (Hendren 108) and following on, 223 for 6.

Hallows Again.

Lancashire beat Derbyshire on first innings.

Derby 163 and 105 for 3.

Lancs. 287 for 8 declared (Watson 122, Hallows 117).

Points for Somerset.

Somersetshire beat Warwickshire on first innings.

Somerset 199 and 123 for 7 declared.

Warwick 141 and 71 for 5.

ANFU CLUB.

Feng Yu-hsiang has intimated that he will be neutral if trouble breaks out between the Kwangsi warlords of Hankow and certain units which they took over from a former holder of the territory. Well he might because he is too busy himself. However, he also says that he objects to any intra-Kuomintang fighting in his province of Honan. Be that as it may.

Did the Kwangsi faction instigate the north-western trouble to harass the "Christian General's" rear? It is hardly to be thought so, because the Kwangsiites have nothing to gain and are bent only on strengthening their own lines.

The consensus of opinion in Shanghai was that Anfu Club politicians had been conspiring with the rebels of Shensi and Kanau.

The reason for saying so is that Northerners who have officiated for decades in administrative, non-political positions have been ousted by Nationalists and that these have banded themselves together under the old Anfu Club to retaliate by intrigue.

RUSSIA TO BLAME?

Chiang Kai-shek cannot be blamed for the rising in the North-West because he needed the "Christian General's" counterbalancing influence if he did not trust his active support.

The remnants of the old Northern Army are too far away and cut off geographically from the North-West. Moreover, their venture into Chafao is becoming a forlorn hope and their hands are full elsewhere.

Rightist politicians are shifting around Shanghai and the Leftists are holding out for the "Christian General" to use his weight

against the Kwangsi faction and General Yen Hsian-han.

Can Soviet agents have been responsible? It is known that they were busy in Sinkiang, which is west of Kansu. They can get into Kansu and Shensi through Mongolia as they did before to help the "Christian General." They may even now be the suppliers of guns and munitions to the Chinese Communists in their revolt against the "Christian General."

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand to-day was 20.03/10.

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Much wider powers are given.

A wider definition is given to the terms "Chinese authority" and "fugitive criminal."

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WIDER EXTRADITION POWERS.

ANOTHER NEW BILL.

HONG KONG'S DIFFICULTIES WITH CHINA LAW.

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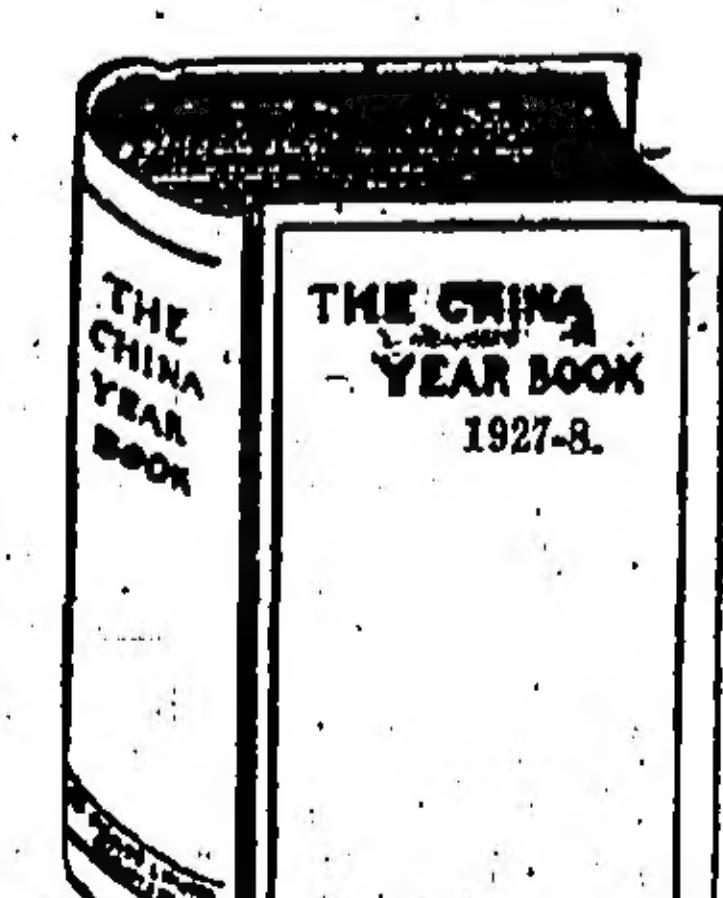
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LOCAL SHARES.

MESSRS. MOXON & TAYLOR'S
WEEKLY REPORT.

A STEADY MARKET.

Messrs. Moxon and Taylor in their weekly share circular under date of yesterday state:

Our market... continued steady during the week under review; there was a fair demand for most of the principal stocks and in some cases at prices higher than quotations.

Shanghai market is quiet.

The following are the principal alterations since last week:

Banks—Were steady and a few shares changed hands at \$1,290.

Unions—Continued on the upward grade and rose ten points,

business having been done at \$365.

Canton Insurance—Came in for a smart rise of twenty points and close with buyers at \$685.

Hong Kong Hotels—Are unchanged.

Hong Kong Lands—Were done at \$65½ while rather more would now be paid for further business.

Humphreys Estates—Found buyers during the early part of the week at \$14.70 and \$14½ is still being offered though rather more would probably be obtainable.

Rentals—Rentals had a steady buying market at \$7½, and at the close found buyers at \$7¾.

Hong Kong Trams—Were again taken off the market at \$24.40.

Steamboats—Are unchanged with buyers at \$28.

Star Ferries—Were quiet throughout the week but at the close met with acceptance at \$64½.

Waterboats—Continue to meet with demand and \$20¾ is now offered.

China Lights—Firmed up during the week and business was done in the old shares at \$12½ and the new at \$11.95 while the improved price of \$11.80 is being offered for the new issue.

China Providents—Had a fair turnover at advancing prices from \$5.40 to \$5.60 and more shares are wanted.

Cements—Could now be placed at \$9.30 for the combined shares.

Benguet—Are unchanged with buyers at \$2.15.

Watsons—Continued in demand at \$14½.

Dairy Farms—Are still wanted at \$22, but rather more would have to be paid to obtain shares.

Electric—Maintained a steady rate and sales took place at \$50 old and \$49 new and as we go to press rather higher prices are being offered.

Wharves—Experienced a firm and rising market, having commenced the week with buyers at \$135, they close with sales at \$139½ and in good demand.

London Quotations of the 30th Inst.—Banks \$188; Indos Deferred \$28 15/-; Shells \$5.7.6. all middle prices.

Exchange—The demand selling rate on London is 2/1/16 and the T.T. on Shanghai is Tls. 76 1/2.

DISPUTE OVER AN OVERLAND
5-SEATER.

ELEMENT OF MYSTERY.

That there was some mystery behind the matter, which he could not at the moment fathom, was stated by Mr. Justice P. Jacks (Puine Judge) in the course of a Summary Court case heard yesterday afternoon and concerning an overland Whippet five-seater touring motor-car.

Mr. Mong Man-tat, No. 35, Eastern-street, ground floor, sued

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BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang, & Colombo.
SADO MARU Tuesday, 11th September.
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SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Los Angeles,
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ARGUN MARU Thursday, 20th September.
JAPAN PORTS Saturday, 1st September.
AMUN MARU Saturday, 1st September.
SHUNKO MARU Saturday, 1st September.
SANUKI MARU Friday, 14th September.
AMUR MARU Sunday, 10th September.
KEELUNG—via SWATOW & AMOY. Sunday, 2nd September at noon.
KISHIM MARU Sunday, 9th September Noon.
HOZAN MARU Thursday, 6th September Noon.
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ARMS SMUGGLING.

CHIEF STEWARD BEFORE THE MAGISTRATES.

FIVE YEARS' "HARD."

Before two magistrates, at the Kowloon Court yesterday, the chief steward of the s.s. "Haruna" was charged with the unlawful possession of a large quantity of ammunition and firearms.

Mr. L. R. Andrews, for defendant, pleaded guilty. He asked the magistrates Mr. W. Schofield and Major C. Wilson, to show leniency to defendant, as he had a large family to support.

Detective Sub-Inspector Dorling said that half an hour before the "Haruna" was due to sail, 88 automatic pistols, 8,900 rounds of ammunition and 81 spare magazines were found in the steward's store-room.

Defendant admitted that he was the owner of the arms. He said that they had been placed on board by a *Chiuchow* man, who had offered him commission.

Given the opportunity to find the man in question, defendant refused, saying that the man had probably gone into the interior of China.

Their Worship were of opinion that the defendant must have known the risk and the criminality involved in smuggling the arms and remarked that it was a very large quantity.

Defendant was sentenced to five years' hard labour.

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Length E.P.—165 ft. 0 in.
Moulded beam—28 ft. 0 in.
Depth—10 ft. 0 in.
Draft—3 ft. 0 in.
Displacement—783 tons.
Deadweight capacity—400 tons.
Engine power—240 B.H.P.
Speed loaded—8 knots.

The engine room is arranged at the after end of the ship and in it is installed a five cylinder compressorless Sulzer engine of the direct reversible type, started and reversed by compressed air. It is a standard model, having cylinders with a diameter of 300 mm, whilst the piston stroke is 400 mm. It is of the usual pre-combustion-chamber design running at 275 r.p.m. and normally 250 B.H.P., although in the Tropics it is rated at 240 B.H.P. The mean effective pressure is low being 2.9 Kg. per square centimetre, equivalent to only about 41 lbs. per sq. inch.

The machinery is self-contained, each propelling engine driving an air compressor, a cooling water pump, a bilge pump, a sanitary pump and a lubricating pump. There is however a three-cylinder 30 H.P. Sulzer auxiliary engine driving a compressor, a dynamo, a centrifugal Sanitary pump and a stand-by lubricating pump. In the engine room are also a vertical Weir fresh water pump, driven by compressed air, two hand fire-extinguishing pumps, and there are four air bottles of 250 litres capacity.

The vessels have two cargo hatches, each being served by two 2-ton Mannesmann cargo derricks, and around the mast are four cargo winches each driven by a 20 H.P. oil engine. On the poop is a windlass driven by transmission from both motors of the deck winches. On the after deck are two wooden lifeboats, 26 ft. long x 7' 6" beam x 2' 9" depth.

Accommodation for the chief engineer and six passengers is provided in the deck-house, whilst the captain and officer are berthed in the deck-house on the Navigation Bridge; the accommodation for the crew is forward.

MOVEMENT OF STEAMER.

The M.V. "Toronto" (D. & Co.) sailed from Norfolk on Aug. 14 and is due in Hong Kong on Oct. 10.

Dr. Wagner, the Consul-General for Germany, left yesterday by the P. & O. s.s. "Kashgar" for a trip to the North.

SHIPBROKERS.

EXAMINATION OR EXPERIENCE?

BROADER RECOGNITION.

and to bring more ships and more trade to these ports, it would be necessary to have cargoes shipped in such a form that those facilities could be made use of, and to have the cost made reasonable.

He paid a warm tribute to the valuable work of the chairman of the Examination Committee, Mr. D. W. Plinkey.

The report and accounts were adopted.

FURTHERING INTERESTS.

Mr. P. Harley said that some of the funds of the Institute might well be spent on making the objects of the Institute better known, and in generally furthering the interests of members. He suggested that an editorial secretary should be appointed, and that a monthly bulletin should be issued, telling members about all the passing events of interest to their profession, and thus making the Institute "a living thing."

Mr. Marinduque Lawther pressed the value of the guarantee fund, which was designed to protect brokers. It had been suggested to the council that a guarantee fund should be formed for the protection of members against claims which may be made against them in connection with the due fulfilment of business negotiations or non-fulfilment of business negotiated by them, more especially in connection with the collection of freight. The solicitors had been consulted, and advised that such arrangement would be outside the objects of the Institute, and would be an infringement of the terms of the charter.

The following fellows were elected to replace retiring members of the Council:-Messrs. W. C. Buckell (London), A. Cowles (London), J. F. Dowler (Liverpool), C. Hartly Hodder (Bristol), Griffith J. Jones (Newport, Mon.), F. Linsley (Hull), E. F. Long (London), J. Lawrence McNeil (Newcastle-on-Tyne), S. Marshall (Sunderland), John W. Moore (Middlesbrough), and R. T. Slim (London).

The balance sheet showed an income of £5,279 for the year, which gave a surplus of £1,822 over expenditure.

There followed the annual meeting of the Chartered Shipbrokers' Protection Association, presided over by Mr. J. F. Fawcett (chairman). Messrs. A. W. Broad, W. H. Vernal and W. J. Thomas were elected as additional members of the committee, and Messrs. J. F. Fawcett and C. Hartly Hodder were re-elected. Forty-eight cases were dealt with in the year, but no legal expenses were entailed. The balance sheet showed that the financial position was £80 above last year. The invested funds of the association stood at £614.

Mr. T. H. Stone, of Hull, seconded the adoption of the report and accounts, moved by the chairman, and this was carried.

WOULD BE SUICIDE.

Captain Pritchard, master of the s.s. "Kinshan" reports that at 2.35 p.m. yesterday, while the vessel was approaching her wharf, a first class passenger, a Mr. Chang, attempted suicide by jumping overboard. He was rescued by the steam launch "Seafar."

It is believed that suicide was pre-meditated, as Mr. Chang had handed over to the purser of the ship his wallet containing money and two letters.

Mr. Chang was later removed to hospital.

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MOREA	10,563	14th Sept.	Shai, Moji, Kobe, Yohama & Osaka.
TAMANBA	8,018	17th Sept.	Shai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TAHORE	5,252	24th Sept.	Shai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
KHIVA	9,135	23th Sept.	Shai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
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FALSE RETURNS.

SHIPOWNER AND INCOME TAX.

CARE AT HULL.

At Hull Police Court, Sir Walter Cockerline appeared before the Stipendiary Magistrate to answer a summons issued at the instance of the Inland Revenue Department, that between April 6, 1911, and April 5, 1925 he "wilfully, knowingly and wilfully made (otherwise than on oath) certain statements false in material particulars" in certain returns required by law and by the Inland Revenue authorities for income tax purposes, contrary to the Perjury Act of 1911, section 5.

Sir Walter Cockerline is head of the firm of W. H. Cockerline and Co., shipowners and shipbrokers, of Trinity House-lane, Hull.

Mr. C. Salkeld Green and Mr. A. G. Tribe, of the Solicitors' Department of the Inland Revenue, appeared for the prosecution, and Dr. Thomas C. Jackson, solicitor, of Hull, represented the defendant.

Dr. Jackson raised immediately the objection that the summons was bad on the ground that it did not contain detailed particulars of the specific offence alleged.

Mr. Salkeld Green, replying, said that the defence had been told that every single return either for income tax or excess profits duty made during the period of 14 years was false in material particulars. Those returns, he believed, numbered 100. The defence knew how far they were wrong on a statement agreed between the parties. The investigations started in November, 1925, and the figures were agreed in May last.

Dr. Jackson retorted that a man who had led an honourable life and held an honourable character was entitled to know, every occasion on which he was charged with being not merely inaccurate, but knowingly making false statements.

The objection was overruled.

In opening the case, Mr. Salkeld Green said that in certain aspects this was a complicated case, but in essential matters it was a simple one. He wished to point out and contend that the evidence would prove that every single return, whether for income tax, excess profit duty or surtax submitted by defendant, not only during the period from April, 1911, to April 1925, had been incorrect. Mr. Green said it would be shown that there was a course of fraud extending right back to 1897. Therefore he said that from 1897 to the present date every single return for tax purposes was wrong.

He hadn't counted himself but he was informed there were about 155 of them. They were unusual because Sir Walter was part owner of a number of ships, and for tax purposes a separate return was needed for each ship. The amount lost to the revenue by this fraud, or which would have been lost if the fraud had not been found out and the money paid, was £107,106. Mr. Green then outlined the various amounts under separate headings which formed the total. The mere fact that the money had been paid, however, did not affect the fact that he had made false statements knowingly and wilfully.

He regretted to have to put this forward as a very serious case. It was serious from the view that this and other frauds by fraudulently-minded men meant that the honest taxpayer suffered.

Mr. Green, continuing, said Sir Walter started life in a humble way, and it was the greatest credit to him that he had risen to the position he had. He had risen by his own endeavour to accumulate a fortune of rather over a million. He had been Sheriff of Hull, and had received the honour of a knighthood.

"It makes it all the sadder that behind all the steady progress he had made there was this history of fraud, on the revenue for 30 years. There was a cloud behind it all which had now been revealed to everybody," he added. There was another factor which made it a serious case, added Mr. Salkeld Green. This was not the case of a man driven by pressure and want to commit this fraud, or a case in which the defendant had been driven by pressure of business to find money for his business. Sir Walter was a man who had been steadily throughout this period of the later years increasing his wealth and living well within his income.

Counsel said that he found that on December 31, 1914, Sir Walter, as shown by his books, was worth £554,697, and on December 31, 1922, he was worth £919,053, and since then although counsel had not got the figures, his wealth had gone up to over a million.

One formal witness was called and the case was adjourned.

PULVERISED FUEL.

LATEST PRINCIPLES OF DESIGN.

INDEPENDENT BOILERS.

In the field of steam and power the rapid growth of the "Lopulco" system of pulverised fuel firing, only introduced on a large commercial scale in 1924, is one of the most remarkable episodes of recent years, and the subject also has highly important possibilities for marine work.

The first plant was the Lakeside Power Station, Milwaukee, and to day a reasonable estimate is that over 75 per cent, of all the coal in the world consumed under steam boilers in the pulverised condition, probably 20,000,000 tons per annum, is burnt on the "Lopulco" system. It is interesting to note, therefore, the latest design of the plant as modified by the unique practical experience represented by the consumption of at least 40,000,000 tons of coal and installations in many of the world's most famous power stations and industrial establishments, nearly 20 of which are in Great Britain.

ROTARY DRYERS.

Expressing the matter at short length, the arrangement may be summarised as a much shorter overall height of the setting, a new type of continuous, vertical, cylindrical steam-heated rotary dryers, with mechanical scrapers, or alternatively by passing hot air through the "Raymond" pulverisers, an improved type of rotary feeder supersealing the screw design, and the new short flame turbulent type of "R" burner, allowing the burners to be installed at the front of the setting. Instead of the top, requiring, therefore, a much smaller combustion chamber, 30-50 per cent. less in total capacity. This burner takes up to 150,000,000 B.T.U., or six tons of coal, per hour per single unit, with not over 2 in. W.G. air pressure, while the combustion chamber is built up with water screens. "Murray-Useo" fin-tube water-cooled 4 in. steel walls in series with the boiler under full pressure, and water sluice ash conveying, suspended arches also not being necessary. Air heating is employed for both the secondary and primary air, the latter going to the burner through the pulverisers, and bunkers are now generally placed at the back of the boilers instead of over the top, to cut down the height still further.

As usual, each boiler is entirely independent with its own pulveriser, cyclone, pulverised fuel bin, separator, and induced and forced feeder, "R" burner, air heater, dust separator, and induced and forced draught fans, with separate control of adjustment of the pulverisers, feeder, and air supply for the burner. Also, at the same time, in a line of boilers the pulverisers and pulverised coal bunkers are so interconnected, for convenience or emergency that any individual boiler or number of boilers can be operated by different pulverisers.

The Blue Star Line's Experiment. The Blue Star liner "Stuartstar," 10,600 tons, the first English ship to be fitted with British plant for burning pulverised fuel, is now on her way to Buenos Ayres in order to give the new installation a long-distance test. She will return to London about the end of August. The necessary alterations to the pulverised fuel plant, and the running of preliminary trials, were carried out in the short time of eight days.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Russia" arrived at Shanghai yesterday at 12.30 p.m., left Shanghai to-day at 9 a.m., and is due at Nagasaki to-morrow at 3 p.m.

The P. & O. s.s. "Nagpon" left Singapore for this port on Aug. 27 at 10 a.m. with the outward English Mails, and is due here to-morrow at about 6 a.m.

The Ben Line s.s. "Benglo" from Middlesbrough, London, Straits and Philippines is due to arrive here on Monday.

The Ben Line s.s. "Benglo" from Middlesbrough, London, Straits and Philippines is due to arrive here on Sept. 6.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" is due at Hong Kong on Monday morning. She leaves for Manila on Tuesday at 5 p.m.

The s.s. "Dacca Castle" (D. & Co.) sailed from Honolulu on Aug. 16, and is due in Manila on Sept. 5.

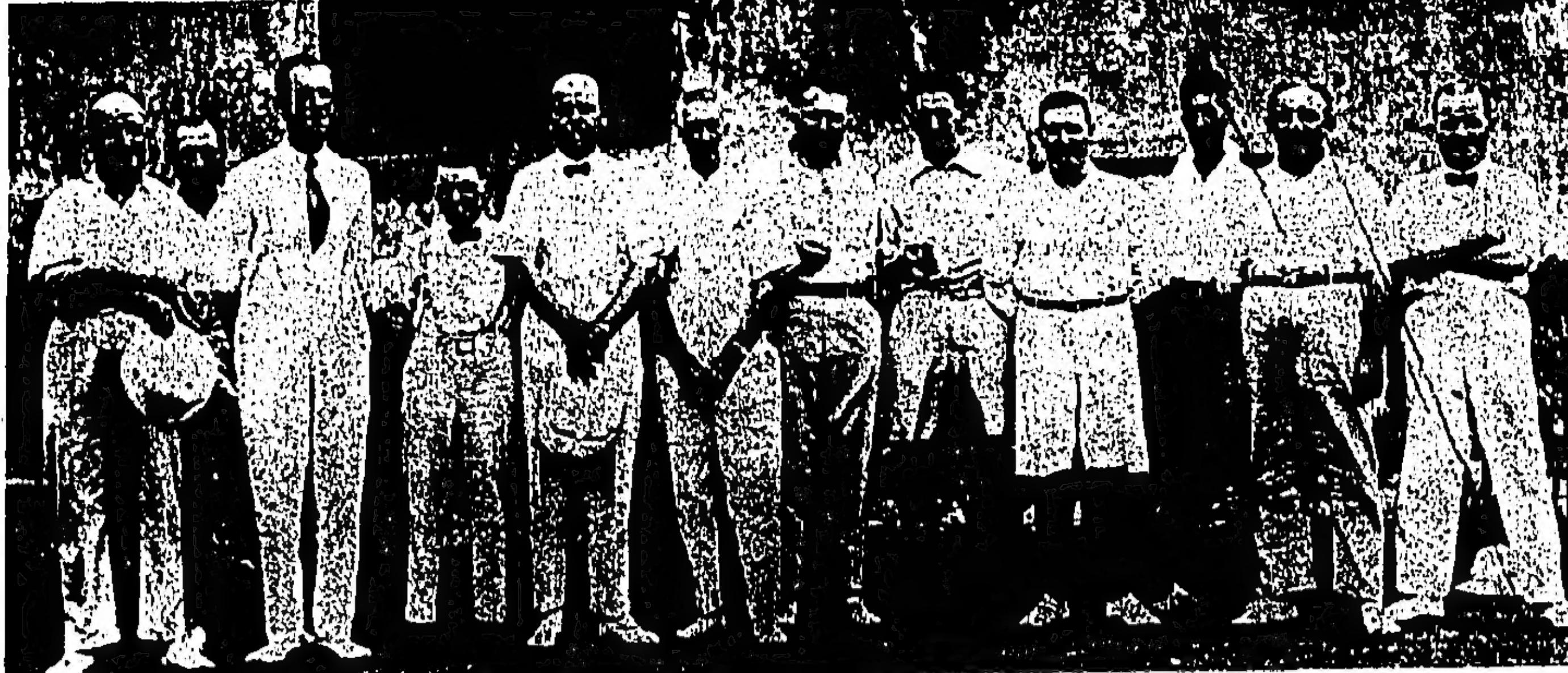
The M.V. "Ramo" (D. & Co.) sailed from Karachi on August 23 and is expected here on September 13.

The M.V. "Toledo" (D. & Co.) sailed from Norfolk on July 29, and is

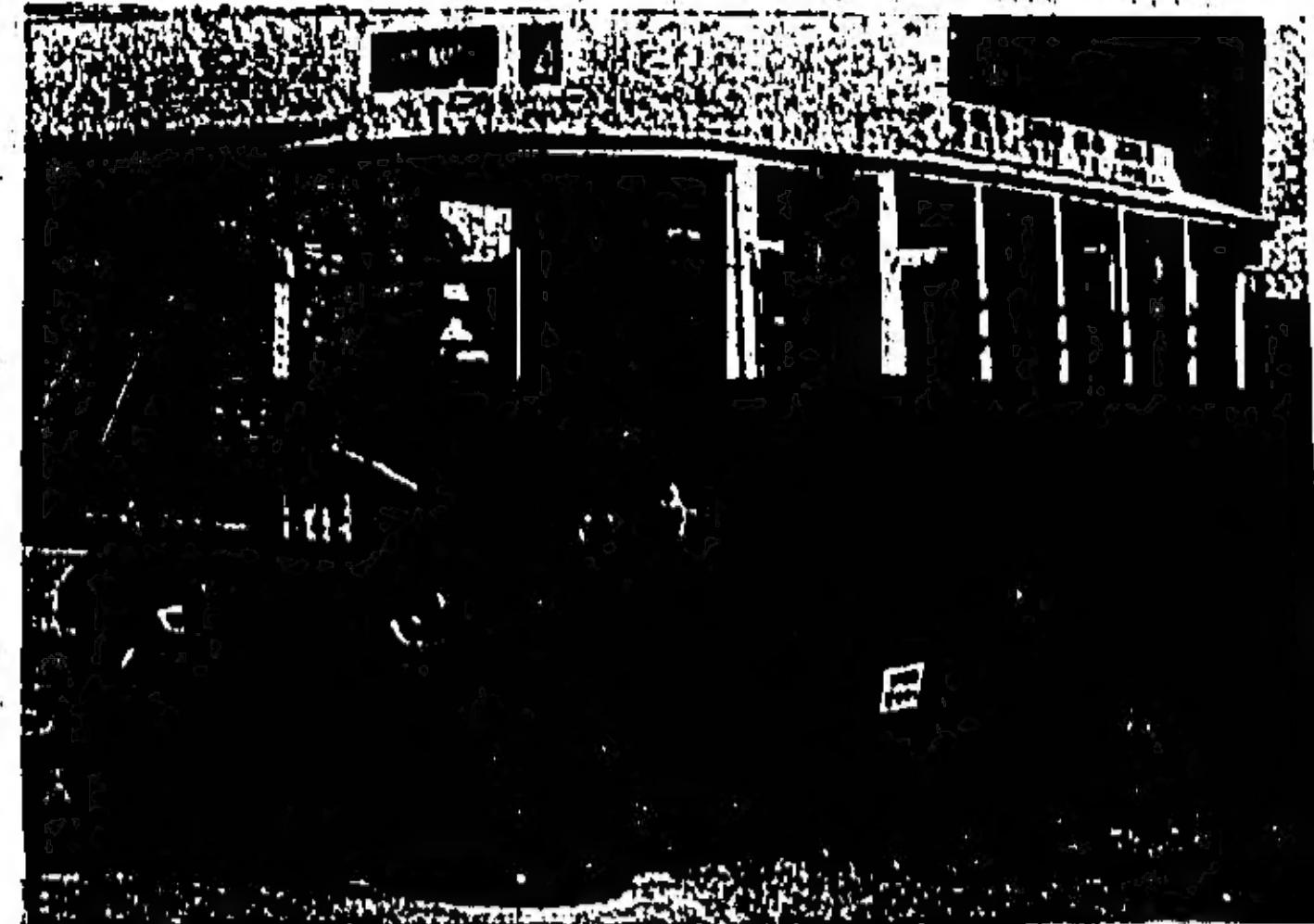
PICTURES OF LOCAL INTEREST



KIDDIES READY FOR THE "GO." — An event for children at last week's R.A. swimming sports at the V.R.C. — (Welcome Studio).



OUT FOR THE CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE SECOND BOWLS LEAGUE.—The Civil Service Cricket Club lawn bowls team which defeated East Point Recreation Club last Saturday and are at the top of division II:—L. Whant, F. E. E. Booker, S. E. Alderman, R. R. Davies (skip), F. H. Holdman, L. Longbottom, L. Luck, R. T. Taylor (skip), S. Eccleshall, C. J. Jones, J. R. Archibald, J. Massey (skip).—(Welcome Studio).



NOW PLAYING AT KOWLOON.—Dennis motor-buses, the coachwork of which has been constructed by Messrs. W. S. Bailey & Co., Ltd. for the Kai Tak Co.



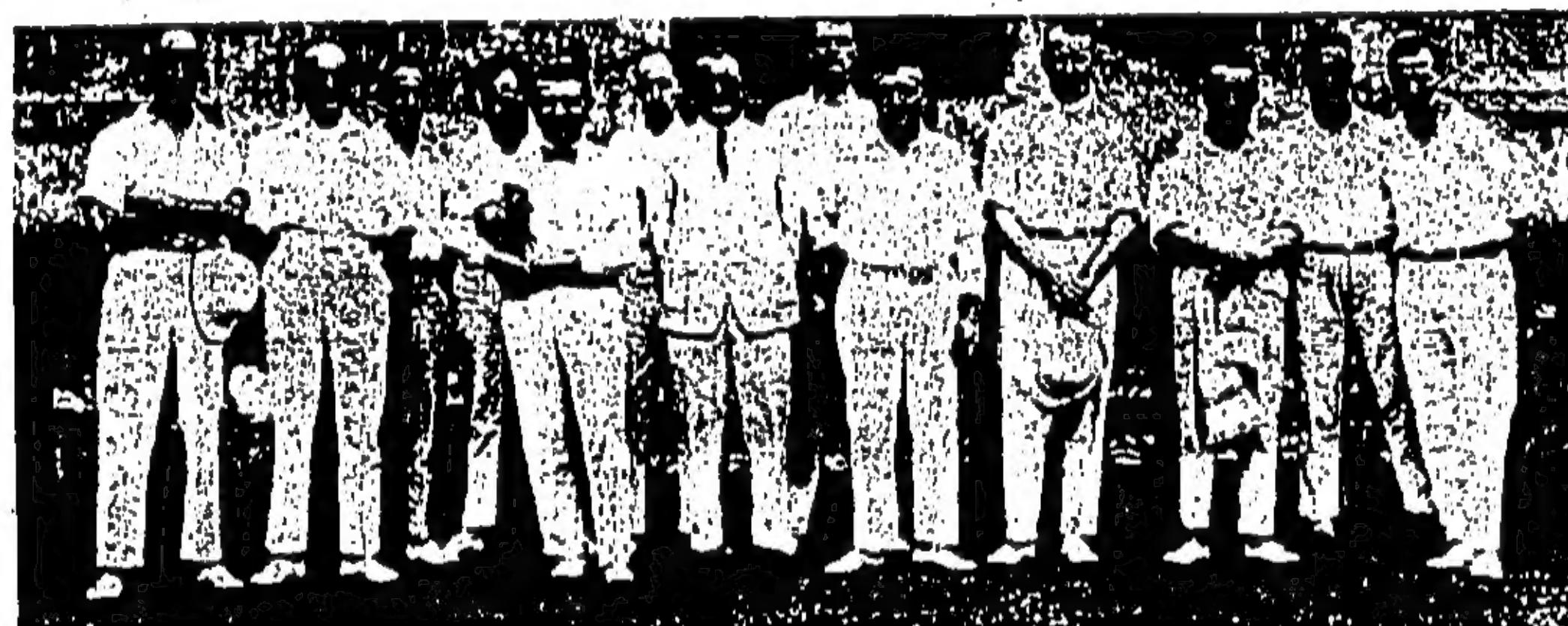
MR. M. F. HOUGHTON.—Chief Engineer of the "San Nam Hoi," who was presented with a gold watch.



"OLD BOYS" FOREGATHER TO HONOUR THE PRESENT HEAD.—The Rev. W. T. Featherstone, M.A., Headmaster of Diocesan Boys' School, Kowloon, in the centre of the front row, at a dinner of old boys of the school held on Aug. 6 at Taihoku in Formosa. Mr. Featherstone took advantage of the summer holidays to visit the school's honorary correspondents in nearby ports. The number of past pupils in one Formosan port is a tribute to the D.B.S. tradition.—(Photo by K. Yendo, Taihoku).



HERO OF THE "SAN NAM HOI."—Captain W. H. Sparke of the s.s. "San Nam Hoi" who, for repelling pirates on Jan. 17, was presented at Government House with a silver tasselet on a blackwood tray, inlaid and mounted with silver.—(Welcome Studio).



EAST POINT RECREATION CLUB'S LEAGUE BOWLS TEAM.—Which lost (at East Point) to Civil Service Cricket Club 2nd team last Saturday, consisting of A. Paul, E. D. Black, C. A. Goldenberg, H. Hampton (skip), D. Hill, M. Arnold, L. de Rome, A. Webster (skip), H. Hatch, C. H. Coutts, H. E. Akehurst, J. W. Shaw (skip).—(Welcome Studio).



KOWLOON BIRTHDAY PARTY WHICH WENT WITH A SWING.—There was a "double" celebration at No. 86, Nathan-road, on the night of August 21, in honour of the birthdays of two well-known residents, Mr. R. H. Charles of Roxor and the well-known gentleman rider, and Mr. C. D. Robertson of Messrs. Lane, Crawford's restaurant department.—(Welcome Studio).



GEORGE O'BRIEN & VIRGINIA VALLI in "Titanic" William Fox Attraction.



VIRGINIA VALLI, GEORGE O'BRIEN & J. FARRELL MACDONALD in "Titanic" William Fox Attraction.



COMPETITORS IN THE UNIT RELAY RACE.—At the R.A. aquatic sports in the V.R.C. bath last Saturday, competitors watching for the return of colleagues. The race was won by 12th Heavy. Battery.—(Welcome Studio).



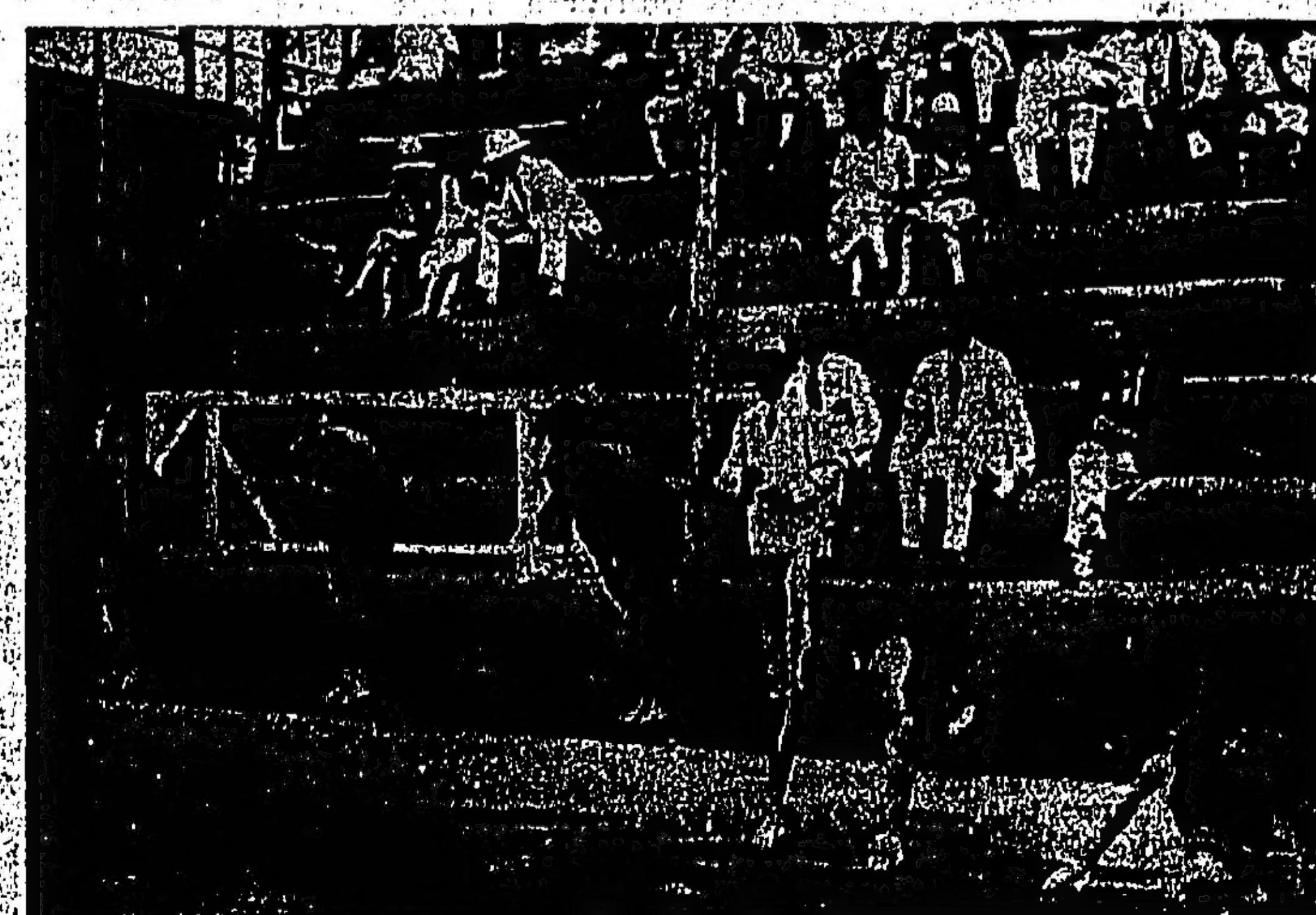
NO. 2 RINK.—In the East Point R.C. v. Civil Service C.C. division II league bowls match last Saturday, A. Webster's rink lost to R. T. Taylor's rink by 11 shots to 32.—(Welcome Studio).



PLAY AT EAST POINT.—"Ginger" Whant of Civil Service "in action" for R. R. Davies' rink (of Civil Service) against H. Hampton's rink (of East Point R.C.) last week.—(Welcome Studio).



GEORGE O'BRIEN & JUNE COLLYER in "Titanic" William Fox Attraction.



AT THE ROYAL ARTILLERY SPORTS.—Competitors, officials, recorders and spectators at the aquatic sports of the Royal Artillery, held in the Victoria Recreation Club bath.—(Welcome Studio).

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All that is delicate and femininely appealing in the mode is being stressed in the exquisite gowns of period tendencies exhibited for the summer season.

Ever alert to sponsor the newest in modes, Hollywood has put its seal of approval upon the evening gown of romantic tendencies. And Doris Kenyon, First National feature player, is one to sponsor an innovation in formal frocks.

Miss Kenyon has selected one of the alluringly feminine and distinctive gowns of the season sponsoring all that is feminine in clothes. The gown is of tulle and lace over a foundation of white satin. Point d'esprit lace is lavishly used from the bodice to the floor. The hem of deep points is beautifully applied in flowers and leaf designs. Gardenias and orange blossoms in streamer effect, decorate the left shoulder. The most important features, of course, are the long sleeves of lace and the lace trimming. The whole effect is one of exquisite quaintness and flattering delicacy.

Evening dresses as a whole are being used to express the most daring of the innovations which

SUMMER SANDS ARE GAY WITH COLOUR

Beach Fashions Show a Variety of Swimming Suits, Lounging Pyjamas and Wraps in Interesting Ensemble Effects. Gay Innovations Mark the Mode.



Vivid colours and elaborate costumes are the two outstanding features of the costumes that go down the sands to meet the sea this season. While there are still to be found very simple effects in jersey suits, these are in the minority and are definitely meant for those who take their swimming seriously. The mode at the beach, as a matter of fact, is a frivolous one and riotous colours, lavish fabrics and designs and nets are seen in gracefully flowing gowns of the romantic age.

Row upon row of the soft, delicate materials are used to establish these femininely picturesque frocks. Exquisite shades and trimming of a feminine nature are other important features. Ribbons, sashes, flower applique, hand work and embroidery all lend the charm of olden days to the modern beruffled and be-ribboned girl.

While necks have a manner of bestowing importance to the formal gown and most of the newest models feature sleeveless robes, the startling innovation of the long-sleeved evening dress is one that is apt to become one of arresting importance as the season advances.

The bathing suit itself may be of jersey or rayon and jersey. Combined colours are the most effective in these suits. They appear in all shades, often with a simple horizontal stripe about the waist or with shorts and tops of contrasting shades. The yachting influence is seen even in the jersey bathing suits, and dark blue and white

with blouse of white with blue scarf collar and shorts nattily flaring of navy trimmings with brass buttons form one of the most distinguished of bathing suits.

Knitted suits of rayon and silk, rayon and wool and with other combinations are seen in dressy models which feature scarf effects, blouses with distinctive design and shorts of brilliant colouring in harmonizing tones.

An outstanding feature of the bathing wardrobe is the number of pieces essential to achieve bathing chic. The swimming suit, of course, is included, but there is also the lounging suit for the beach, the wrap to wear over the suit while approaching the water, the Lido effect in pyjamas, as well as capes or coats, hats, shoes, pocketbooks, parasols and all sorts of vanities included in the list of beach accessories.

Coats which give an ensemble appearance are chosen with one eye to the bathing suit. They are generally of the three-quarter sleeve type and are seen in silk, cashmere, crepe, and newest of all, linen.

Brilliant belts, cushions, bags and scarfs all help to make the beach a colourful place this season.

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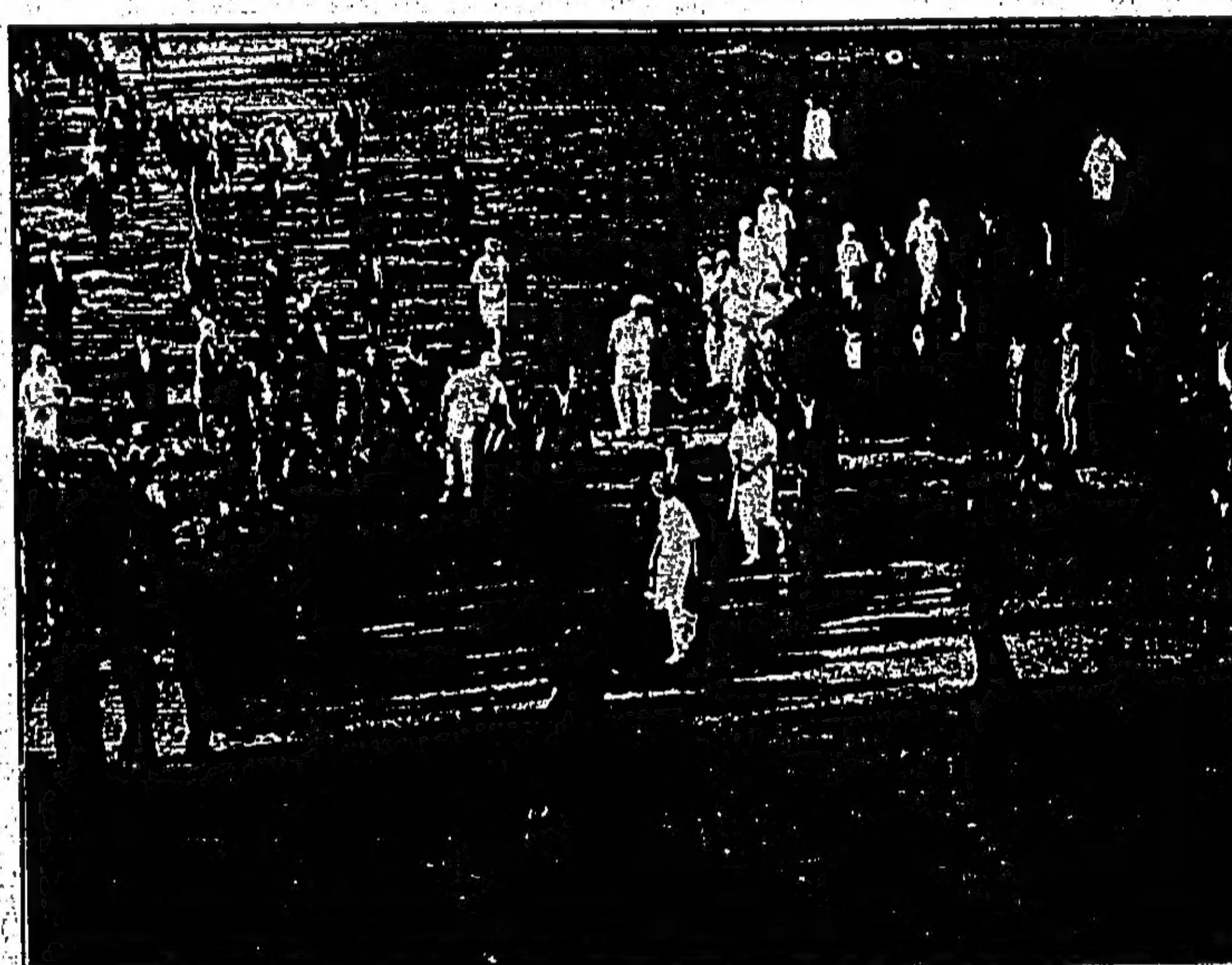
GREAT INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL OF YOUTH IN LONDON.—Boys and girls of thirty nations took part in a grand festival of youth held by the League of Nations Union at the Crystal Palace, before a crowd of 25,000. Throughout the day children were singing, dancing, marching, taking part in sports, etc., the very embodiment of joy and youthfulness. The Junior Branch Japanese Contingent marching past the saluting base, General Sir Leslie Rundle taking the salute of the Grand Review of Youth.—(Sport and General).



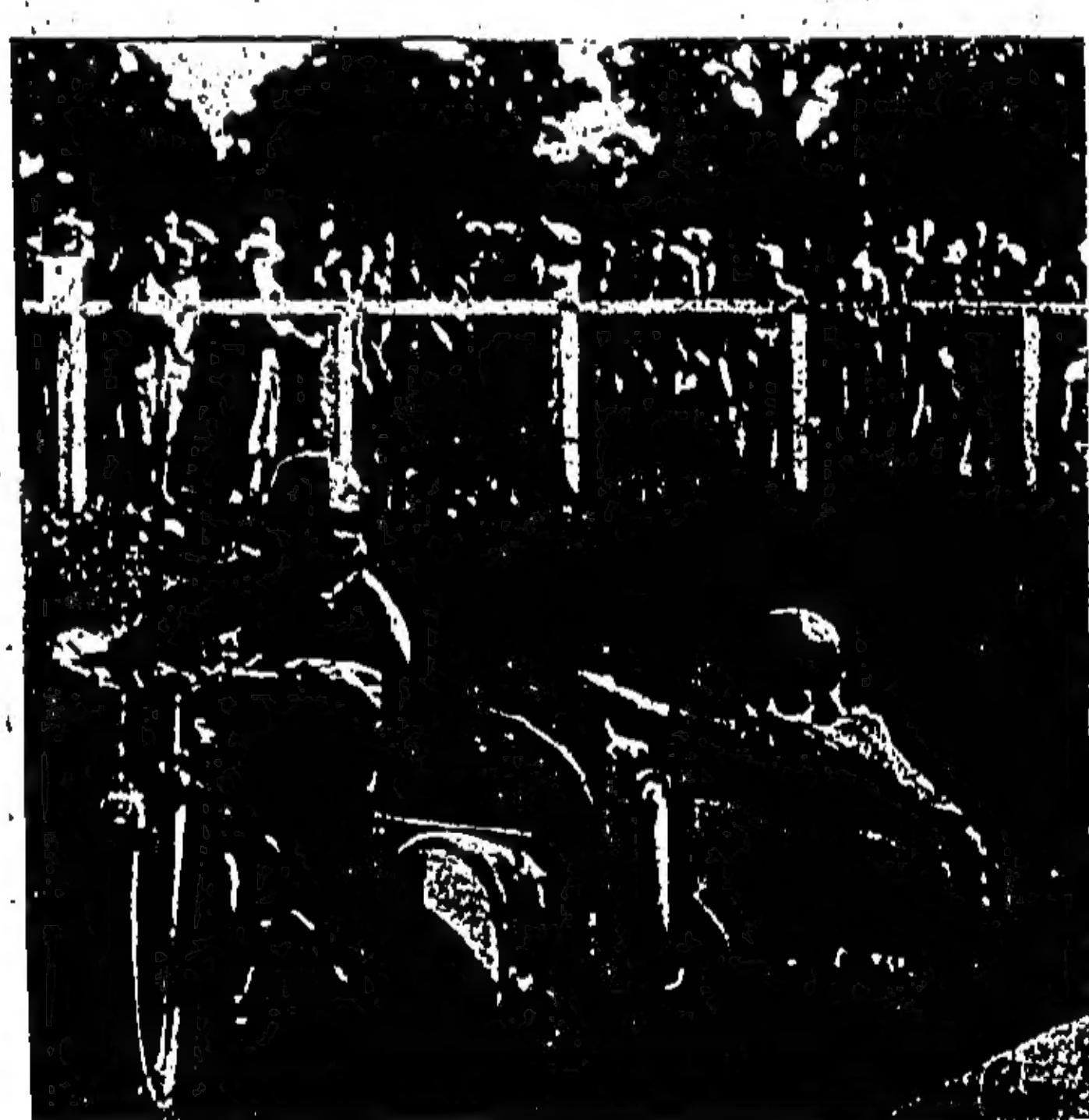
THE BLUE RIBAND OF THE AIR.—The famous King's Cup Air Race finishes at Brooklands, Surrey. The great two days' air race round Britain (covering over 1,000 miles) for the King's Cup, was won again by Capt. W.L. Hope—last year's winner—who finished first at Brooklands during the classic 200 Mile Motor Race.—(Sport and General).



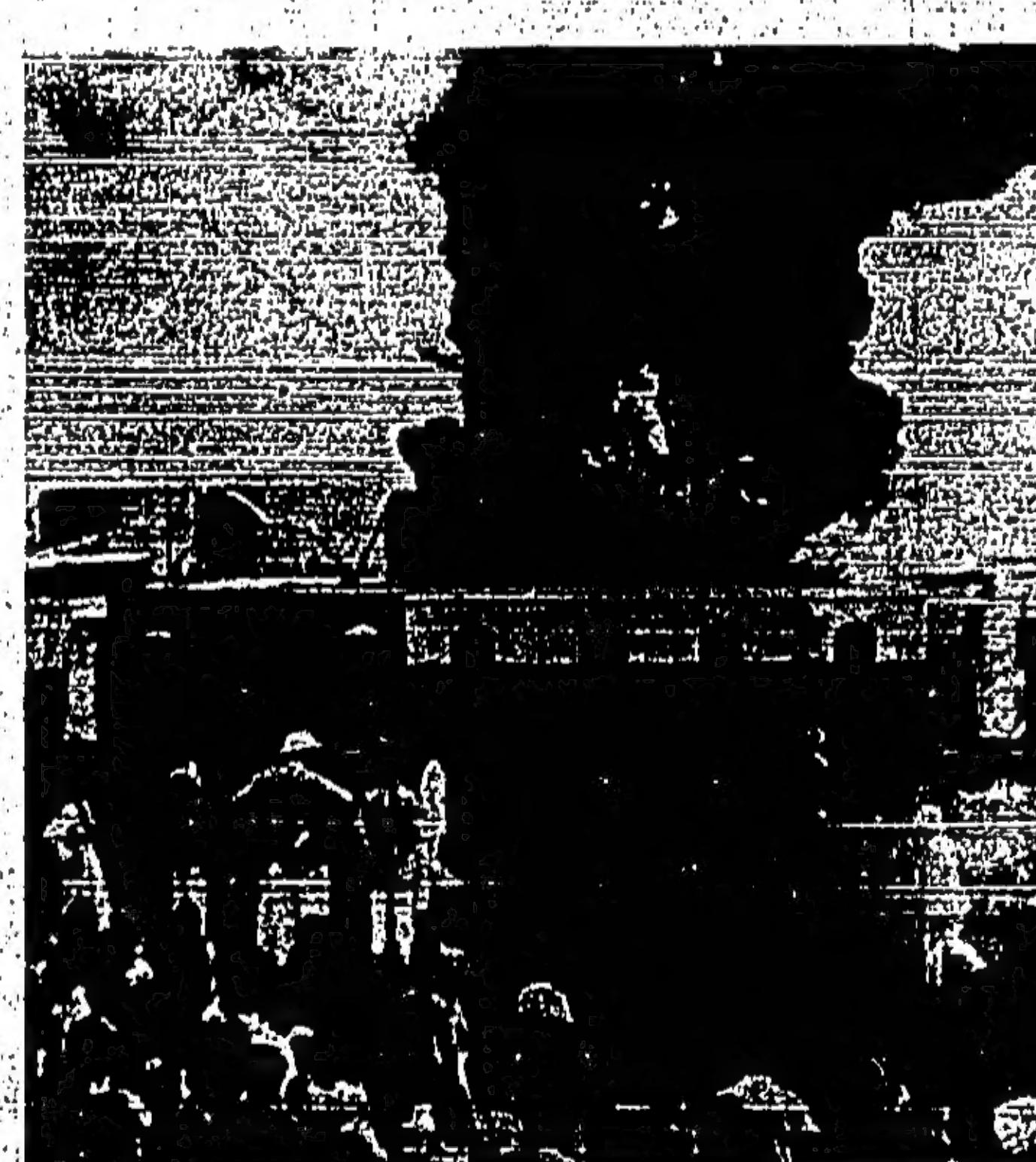
NOT REPULSE BAY, but a bathing beach in Australia, Sydney, is not only fortunate in having a wonderful harbour but has a number of bathing beaches. Bondi, one of the chief surf beaches is crowded on Saturdays and Sundays with bathers, most of whom come in their cars which they park in front of the beach and use as bathing machines. Picture shows surf bathers at Bondi.—(Sport and General).



THE ETON AND HARROW MATCH AT LORD'S.—The famous ground was crowded for this cricket festival of youth, one of the most brilliant functions of the season. Eton eventually defeated Harrow by the small margin of 28 runs.—(Sport and General).



LIGHT CARS RACE ON DIRT TRACK FOR FIRST TIME.—The Junior Car Club held their first official race meeting on the dirt track at Greenford, Middlesex. The meeting attracted many spectators and although the cars did not reach a very high speed, the record for the track was beaten by Capt. Frazer Nash whose average speed was 44.12 miles per hour. An interesting feature was a duel between a light Amilcar and a motorcycle combination which the latter won easily. Picture shows the duel on the dirt track between Mr. Flory Taylor (490 Coventry Eagle Sidecar) and Mr. Humphreys (Amilcar). A thrilling moment showing Taylor leading Humphreys round a difficult curve with the side car passenger in a perilous position.—(Sport and General).



HUGE KEROSENE BLAZE IN BOMBAY, INDIA.—Half a million gallons of kerosene caught fire following an explosion at a storage tank containing 1,266,000 gallons. The fire burnt for twenty hours and illuminated the city.—(Sport and General).



THE DRAMA OF THE STOWAWAYS ON THE S.S. "JERVIS BAY".—It will be remembered that while on her voyage to England from Australia Capt. Daniels of the a.s.s. "Jervis Bay" sent out an S.O.S. for assistance as eight stowaways on board were causing serious trouble. The stowaways were landed at Colombo. Arthur Anderson, the Cuban leader of the stowaways, being landed under Naval arrest at Colombo.—(Sport and General).



UNUSUAL TEST FOR A MOTOR CAR AT LUTON.—In order to prove that a standard model 20/60 Vauxhall car will stand the most strenuous conditions, a model was driven over rough surfaces and was tipped over a steep bank, when it righted itself and was found to have only sustained superficial damage. The car is seen here rolling down the bank.—(Sport and General).



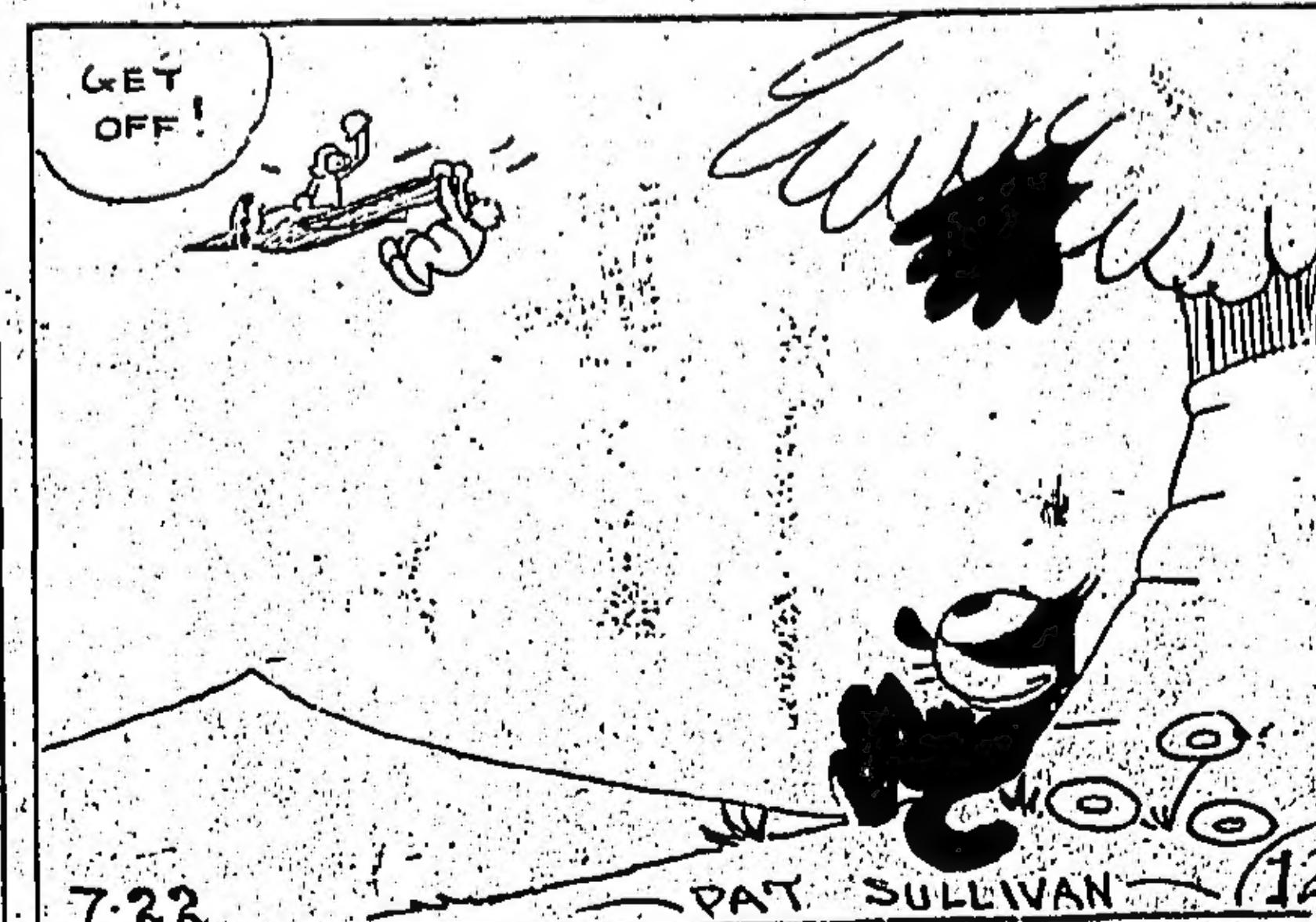
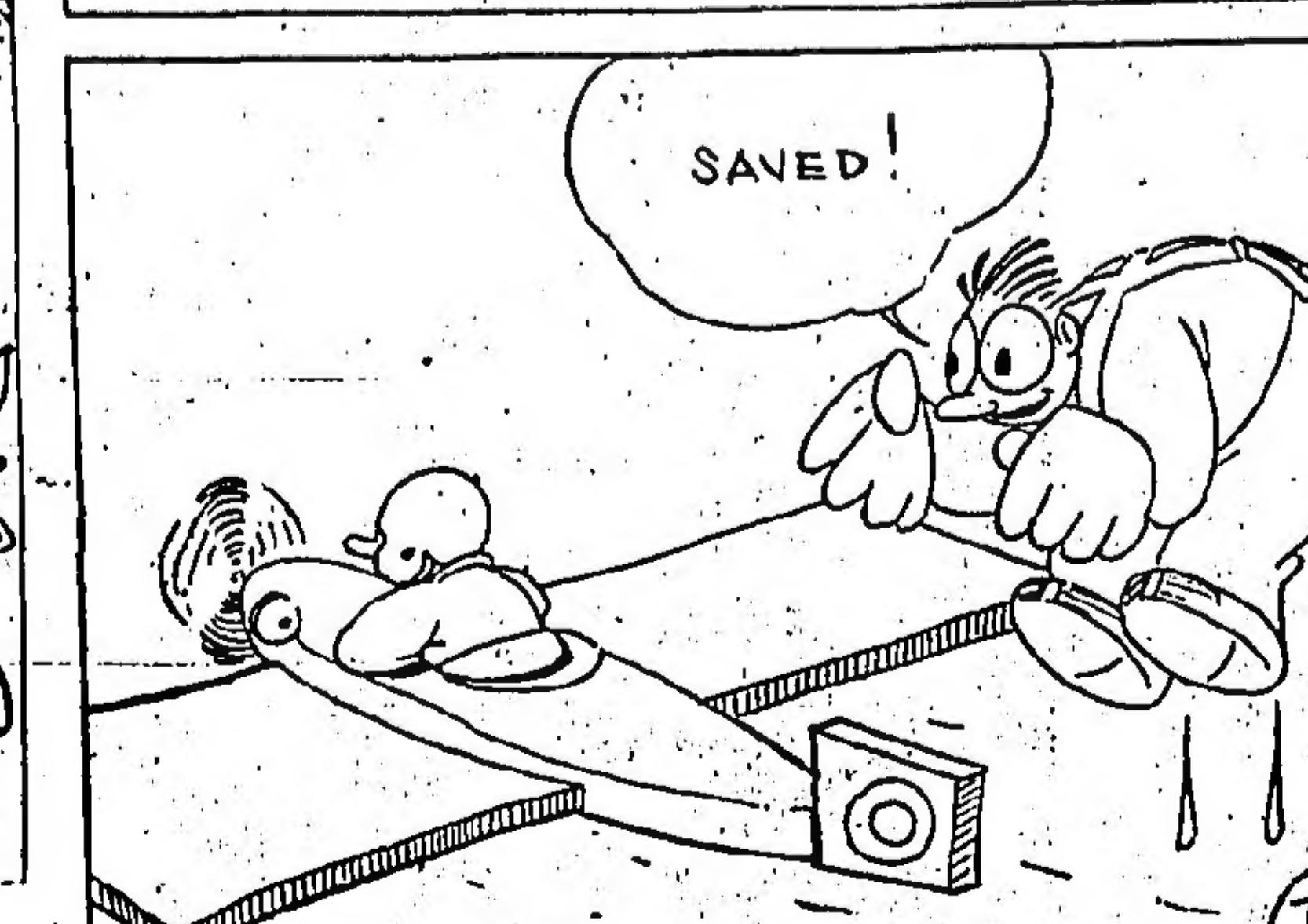
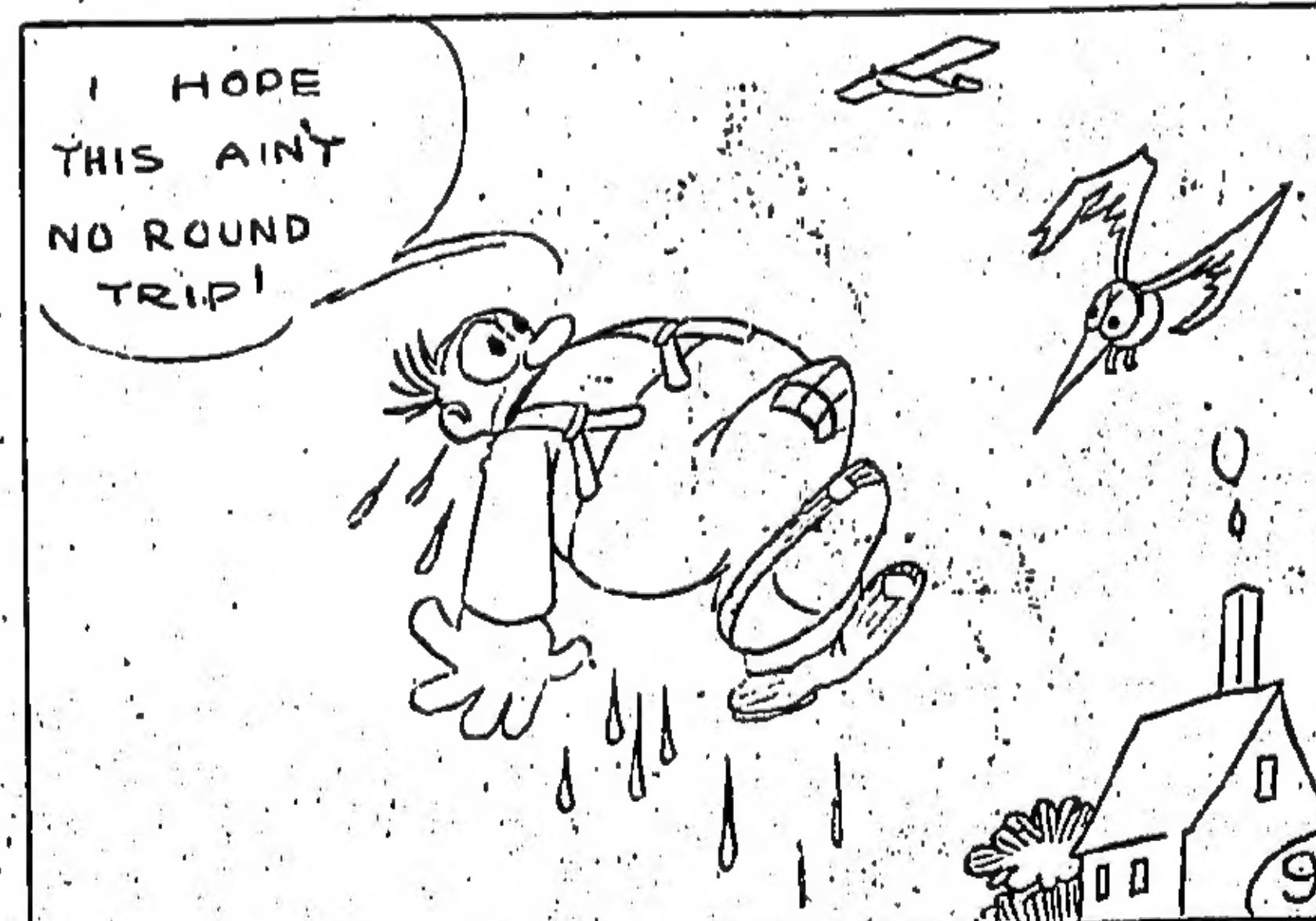
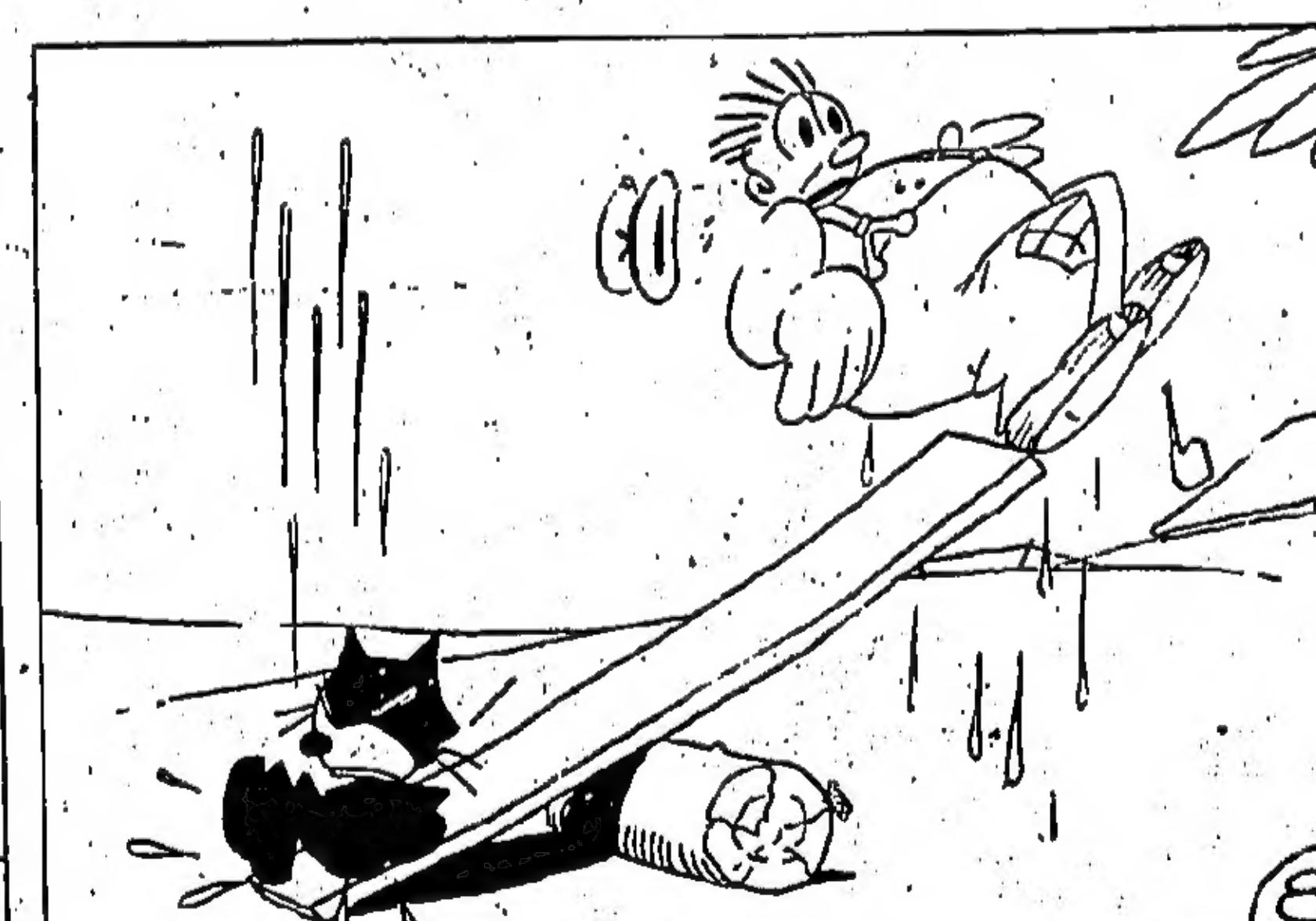
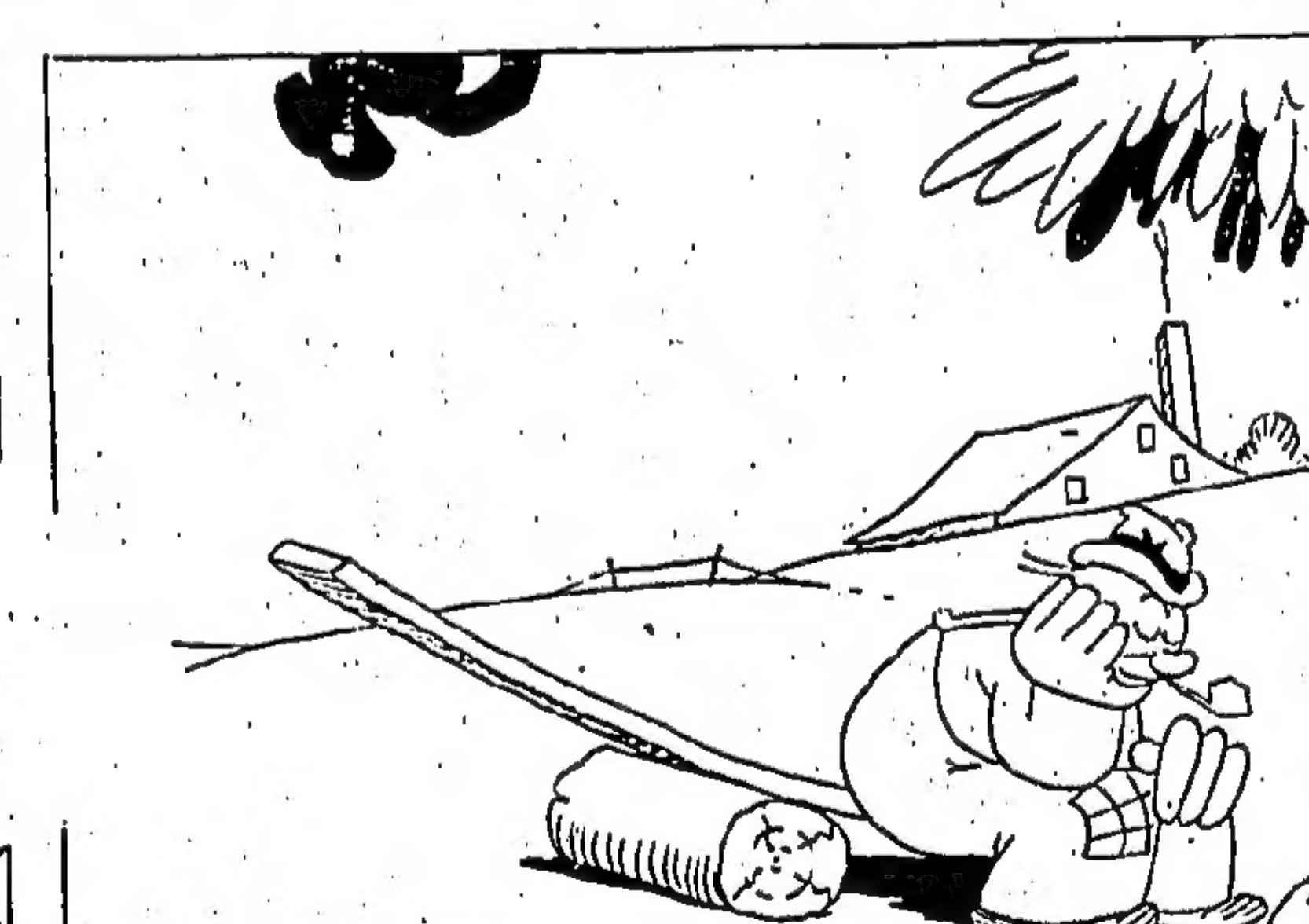
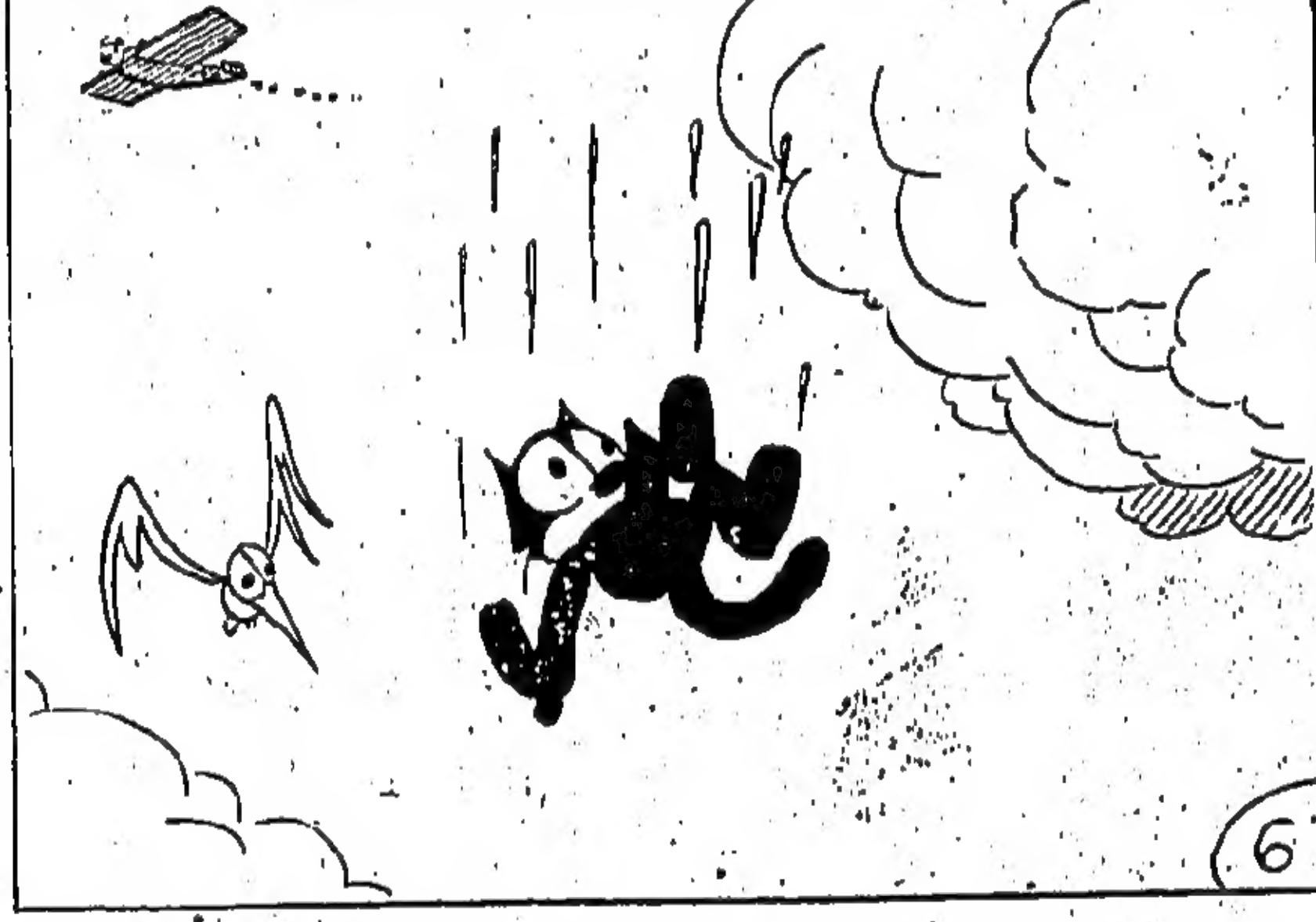
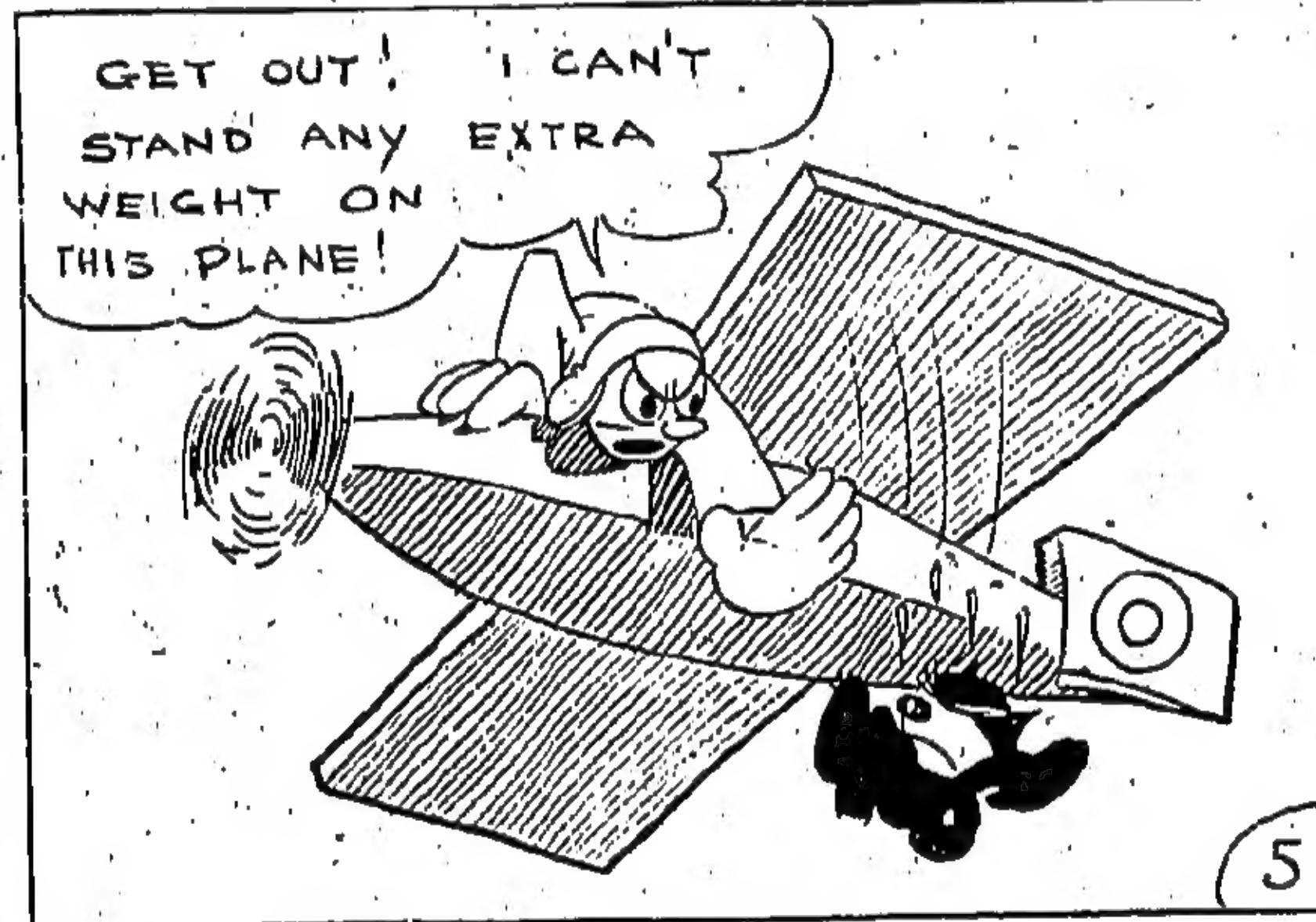
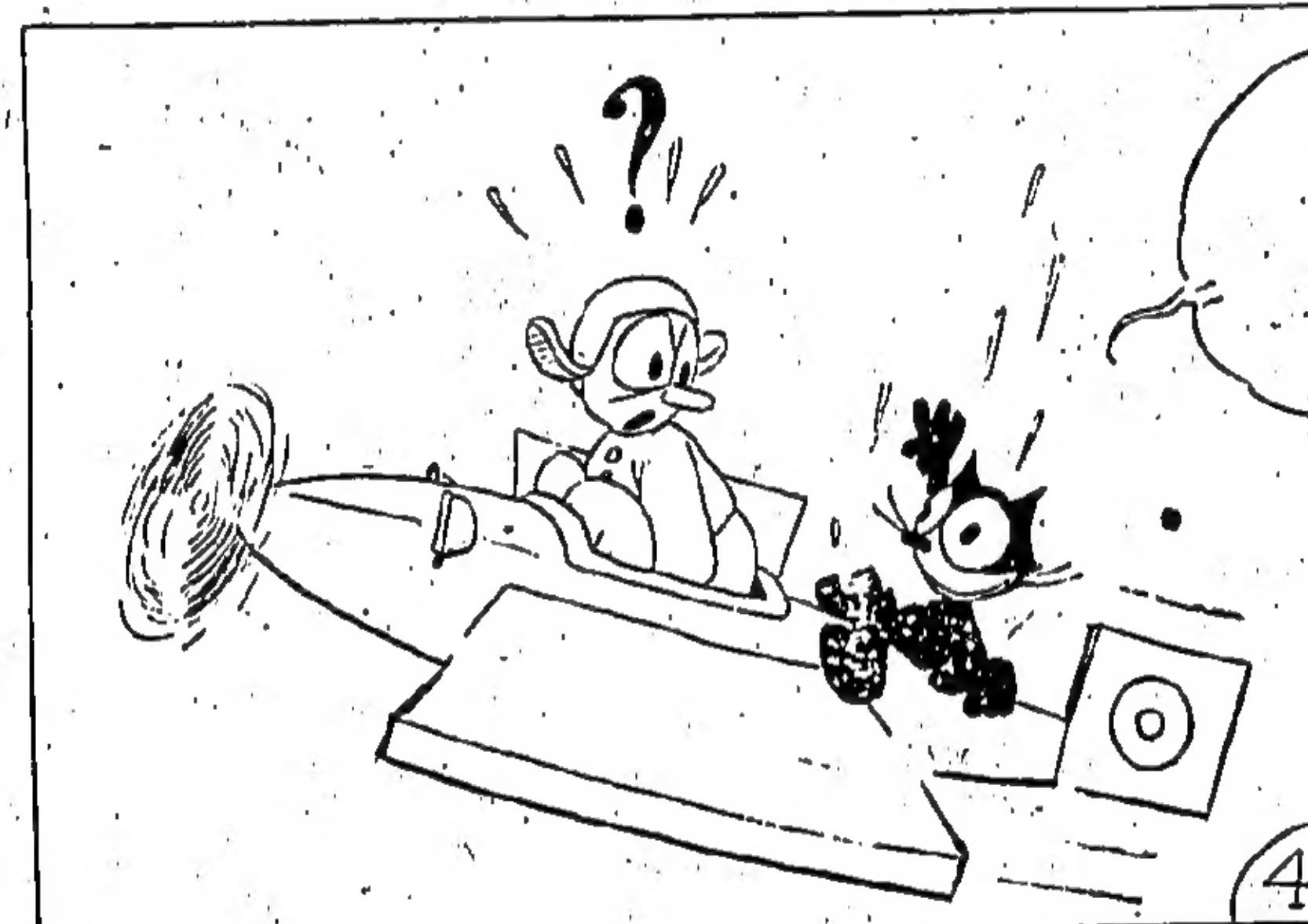
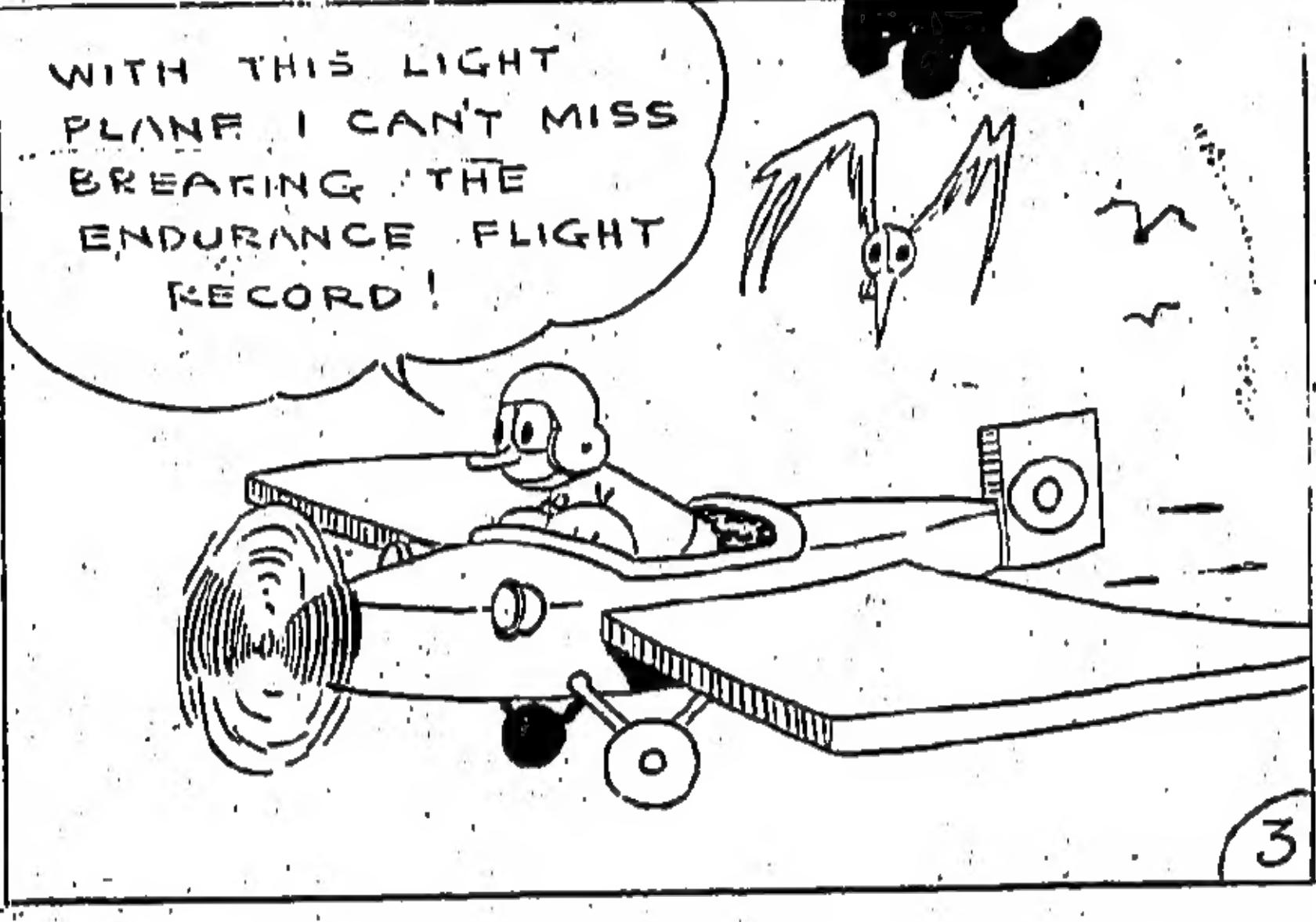
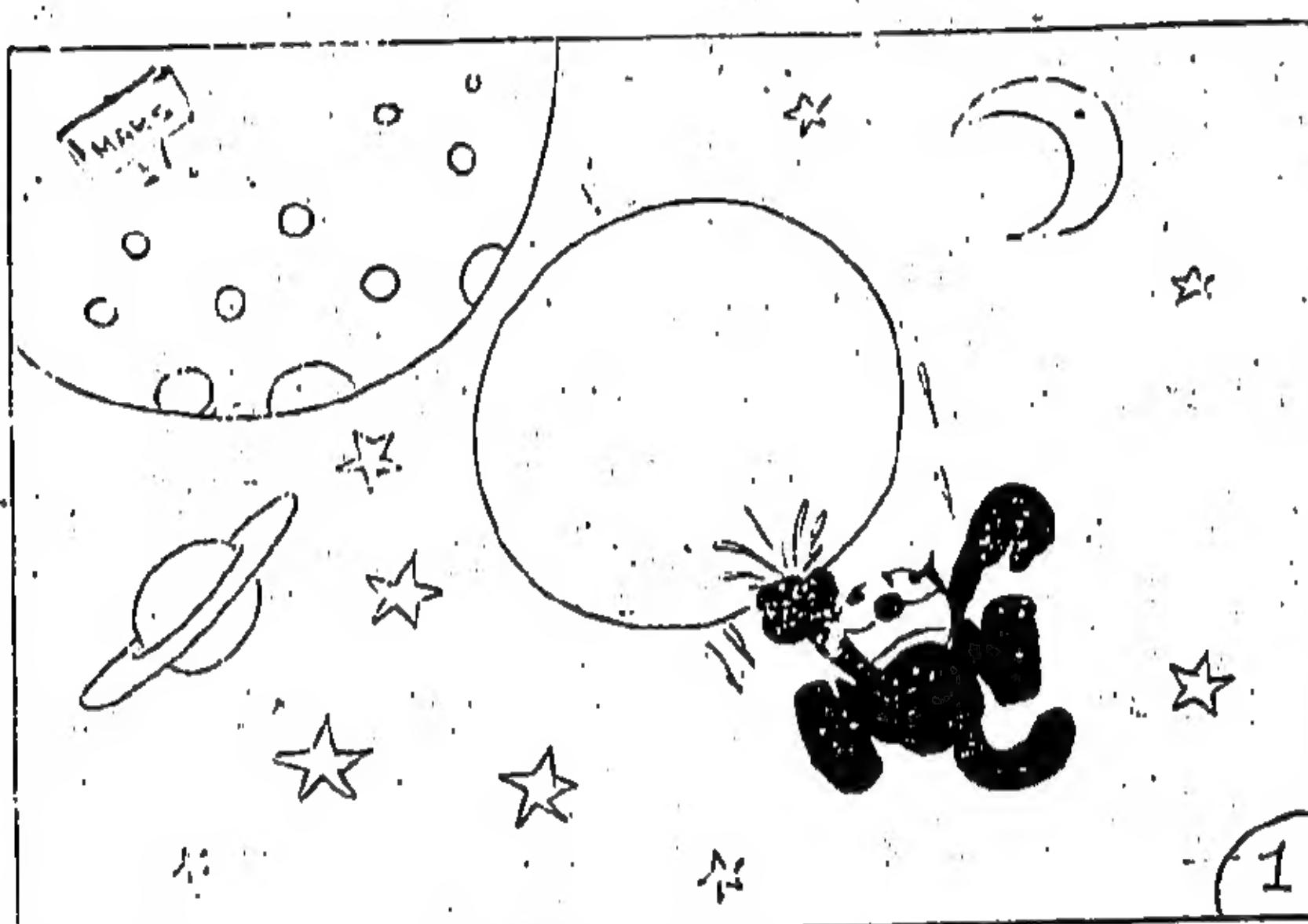
A PRETTY SOCIETY WEDDING attended by social celebrities. The wedding of Miss Rosemary Lowry-Corry, daughter of Brigadier-General Noel Lowry-Corry, and Capt. Arthur Page, M.C., one of the twin sons of General Sir Arthur Page, took place at the Guards' Chapel, Wellington Barracks, London, on July 24. Lady Louis Mountbatten with her little daughter Patricia who made a charming little bridesmaid.—(Sport and General).


LAURA
BY
PAT SULLIVAN
LATER

- AND I'M TELLING YOU BABE RUTH WILL KNOCK ONE HUNDRED HOME RUNS THIS YEAR!

THERE MUST BE A SCREW LOOSE IN THIS FAN!

PUT UP OR SHUT UP!

Felix


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PAT SULLIVAN



A LOOK AROUND.

(By The Mail Men.)

Whispers have reached me that all is not well in the Police Reserve, at least, in the Chinese Company. Discontent is alleged to have arisen out of recent promotions or non-promotions, conflict of views as to whether there should be turn-outs or whether there should be even more of them, and the number of parades to be attended during the summer. One cause of grouse is said to be based on a promise (which I think was never made officially, if it was made at all) that trained men will be issued with revolvers which they will carry and keep at home. Judging by results and the smart turn-out of the men, I do not think anything serious is afoot. My experience of all such bodies is that somebody must have "an axe to grind."

The Police Reserve is carrying out subject to punishment (except dismissal) unless it is called out, say, during an emergency. I fail to see, therefore, how anybody can be keen to carry a "gun" about in this hot weather. What I hear is that one or two of the men consider it smart to have a bulge at the hip, just to show that he has the privilege of carrying firearms which he would not get under ordinary circumstances. There may be a certain amount of "face" attached to it, but such a privilege at most, allows one only to "show off." And there is always some danger attached, although not the danger of a Reservist being attacked just because he dons the uniform now and again. It is a fact that many Chinese who apply for arms' licences are turned down but the granting of a licence does not confer any special status on an individual. Membership in the Police Reserve does.

Supporters of the On Getting "get together" idea together of H.E. the Governor, Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G., will be interested to learn that a Chinese youth desires to live in the European Y.M.C.A. at Kowloon. When it was pointed out that he could stay at the Chinese Y.M.C.A. in Bridge-street he replied that it was not mere accommodation that he sought, but the "atmosphere" of living among Europeans so that he might benefit by intercourse, by learning the English language and customs. It is a commendable idea, but the fundamental principles of the Y.M.C.A. in Kowloon do not fit in with its achievement. There are other ways of seeking the company of foreigners. At moment, I am not prepared to express an opinion one way or the other.

Under the bare announcement of the Heat-Stroke death recently of a man in the garrison lies a story of a strenuous effort by the military medical authorities to combat the ill effects of the oppressively heat of this summer. In all, sixteen men were struck down by heat-stroke. Everything was done for them and fifteen recovered and are now back at duty. The man who died was the sixteenth. His condition improved at first, but he relapsed and died. In barracks, the heat is no worse than it is for the majority of residents; but out at the Shamshuipo huts, for instance, rays of the sun can be torturing, especially to white men who have not been out here before.

Ladies, a correspondent asks: Why Not? dent whites, wear bathing shoes when they go swimming. Do they do so merely for the effect of matching the colours of their costumes, he asks, or is there real need for them? Being a mere man, I cannot hope to give the correct answer. But it has struck me that on some bathing beaches men will do well to don protective footwear. One or two such places are notorious for the sharp-edged stones and barnacles which cut so badly. Others have very uneven approaches to the water. At high

tide, one can walk on fine sand; but at the majority of bathing beaches, the mud at the bottom is both oozy and sloshy when a foot treads upon it—a feeling which is altogether unpleasant. If, somebody would only start the fashion, I think men of the so-called sterner sex ought be grateful.

After the closure of the fifth plenary session of the Nationalist Party executive, Marshal Li Chai-sum, the head of the Canton Government, has been visiting Mokanshun, a place seldom heard of down here in South China. More than once it was reported that Marshal Li was returning to Hong Kong. Political reasons apart, Marshal Li has been unable to leave. Were the charms of Mokanshun too strong for him? It is a picturesque mountain resort, full of breeze, and only ten hours from Shanghai, being therefore easily accessible. Hundreds of foreigners visit the place every summer. I have made a note of it and intend going there at the next opportunity a short holiday occurs. The China Travel Service, of Hong Kong, I note, recommends Mokanshun very strongly.

Last week I had Hong Kong's occasion to refer Water Rats to Hong Kong's water rats, men who got away with hundreds of fathoms of rope and slabs of tin weighing a hundredweight. I have since learned that even anchors and chains are not immune from these raiders, but the men who steal such heavy articles must have a good diver in their gang. Wharves and buoys being available, steamers hardly ever need to use their anchors in Hong Kong harbour now. But big junks do. And occasionally, when they haul up, they find that their chain has been substituted by a rope attached to a lump of granite, to which their craft was secured before the chain was released and towed away with the anchor to be sold to some receiver on shore.

The holding of 178 Years in District Courts of the Army! Martial law is bound to bring Pressmen into contact with Army men and I unblushingly admit that the information contained in the startling caption above this paragraph came from the Tommies. With age limits and other restrictions, it is impossible for any man to serve half that time; but Regimental Sergeant Major Parkinson, of the 2nd Battalion King's Own Scottish Borderers, can boast of a unique record. Members of his family have 178 years of Army service between them and that is good going. My informant could not say definitely whether it was continuous service but he thought so. Long may the R.S.M. function.

Here's another General's A.D.C. bit: of Army Coming Back news. Lieut. R. Q. F. Johnston, of the Durham Light Infantry, who has been Aide-de-Camp to H. E. the General Officer Commanding the Troops in South China (Major-General C. C. Luard, C.B., C.M.G.), is due back in about ten days after a holiday at home. Lt. Johnston has made many friends here and he will be remembered as a fine swimmer. He won the Army cross-harbour race one year and keen disappointment was expressed at his non-participation in the open event promoted by the Victoria Recreation Club. He will be back in time this year to get in some training and, if he is in the mood, make a shot for the blue ribbon of Hong Kong aquatics.

Captain A. G. Another Soldier, Dobbie of the Sportsman Dut. King's Own Scottish Borderers, who has been enjoying a holiday in Canada, is, I learn, also coming back to Hong Kong but the date is not known yet. Capt. Dobbie was selected for Hong Kong's interport cricket team in November, 1926, shortly after his arrival here with the 2nd Battalion. He was chosen, principally, on the strength of his effective batting, but he proved to be a better bowler. His work with the new ball was very effective in the triangular tournament with Shanghai

and Singapore last year, but his bowling improved at the expense of his batting. Capt. Dobbie is an all-round sportsman and has won honours at many games. He is due back in Hong Kong before the Borderers leave the station.

Satisfied with the sum

Queer of \$1 given him, an Methods old man picked himself up from the gutter and proceeded on his way. This incident occurred a few days ago, when a Chinese ancient was knocked down by a youthful cyclist. The cycle hit the pedestrian from behind, sending him with some force into the gutter. Cut on his head, the old man at once blew his whistle and generally caused a "big noise." A crowd soon collected, the old man expostulating, while the cyclist stood by frightened. One of the crowd suggested that the cyclist should give the pedestrian some money and others supported the suggestion. The cyclist, poor fellow, at once agreed and produced from his shoe a few dollars wrapped in a piece of paper. From this he extracted \$1, and handed it over to the injured one. The latter accepted it, but not without again expostulating. Rising to his feet, apparently forgetting the wound on his head, he proceeded on his way, satisfied.

People of different fire countries have their Omens. I may say, are among the foremost of them all. Many years ago, after the big fire at the Race Course, rumour was afoot that before the outbreak some people who lived in the vicinity had seen, some nights prior to the outbreak of the conflagration large fire balls falling down from the sky while ghosts dressed in red were seen walking in and out of the marshy stands which were erected for the races. Again, after the fire of the S.S. "Sui Tai," the same rumour is now circulating among the Chinese community. It is alleged that on nights previous to the fire, boatmen who moored their boats near the doomed wharf saw fire balls and sparks fall from the sky on to that particular spot. They had expected a fire, which unfortunately did break out on the next day. The Chinese believe that an ill omen always predicts something extraordinary that is going to happen, but, unfortunately, these omens never leak out before, but always after, the outbreak.

Some time last week, a for the steam launch loaded Ghosts, with large quantities of paper clothing, etc., steamed leisurely around the harbour, with a number of female passengers on board. This was because of a superstition among the Chinese in connection with the "Yu Lan Festival," or "All Souls Day." The Chinese believe that people who lost their lives in the merciless sea will become "wandering ghosts" and these and all other ghosts are supposed to enjoy a freedom of thirty days during

this month. As a means of consoling the dead and enriching the devils, the women formed a club, the members of which contribute a limited sum every month until the present month when sacrifices are offered to the ghosts. Junks and steam launches were engaged for cruising up and down the harbour, burning paper money, paper clothing, joss paper and incense sticks as they went along. Small paper boats fitted with small oil lamps are launched into the sea. These paper boats, it is said, are provided for the ghosts. It is quite an interesting spectacle to see these miniature paper boats tossing about in the blue expanse of the sea at sunset.

Four people were killed when a motor-car turned a complete somersault near Beauvais, France, recently.

NOTICE.

We Have This Day Moved Our Offices to KAYAMALLY BUILDING, No. 82, Queen's Road Central.

HAZELAND & GONELLA.

Hong Kong, 1st Sept. 1928.

TO-DAY'S FILMS.

"STEAMBOAT BILL, JR." AT THE QUEEN'S.

COMEDY'S BIG CLIMAX.

Buster Keaton's big comedy, "Steamboat Bill, Jr." is to be screened for the last time to-day at the Queen's Theatre. The frozen faced comedian is at his best in this amusing story of a "softy" college boy's training aboard a river boat. The production is essentially a comedy, but there are moments when the thrills displace the laughs. Especially is this true in the final scene, a roaring climax, when Buster effects several remarkable rescues in a smashing tornado.

WORLD THEATRE.

Based on the famous opera "La Boheme," the picture of that name will have its final shewings to-day at the World Theatre. As Mimi, Lillian Gish gives one of the most remarkable portrayals of her varied career. John Gilbert, Renée Adoree and Karl Dane, all of "The Big Parade" fame, all give convincing performances in their respective roles.

STAR THEATRE.

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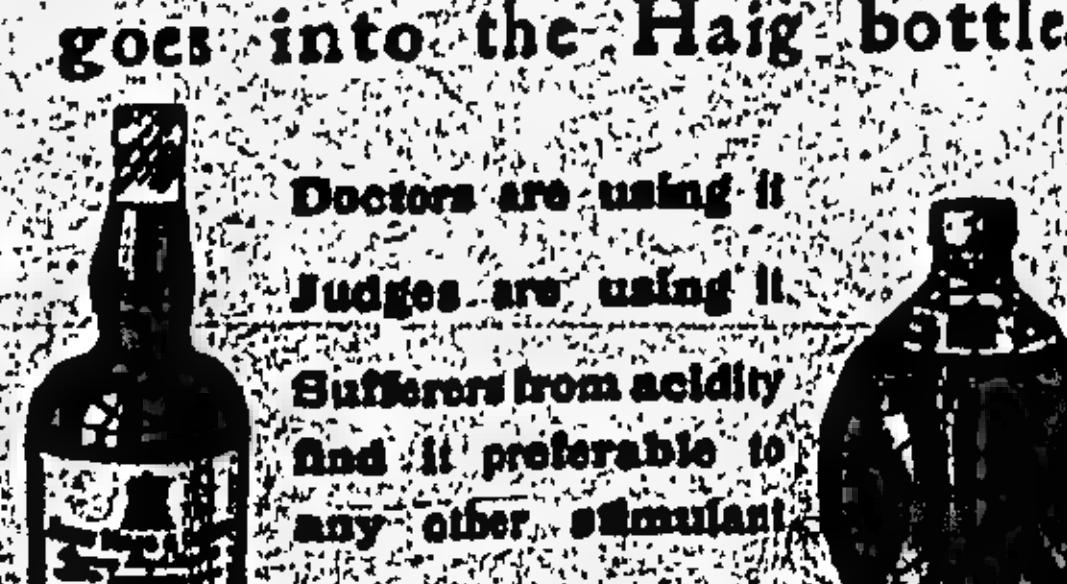
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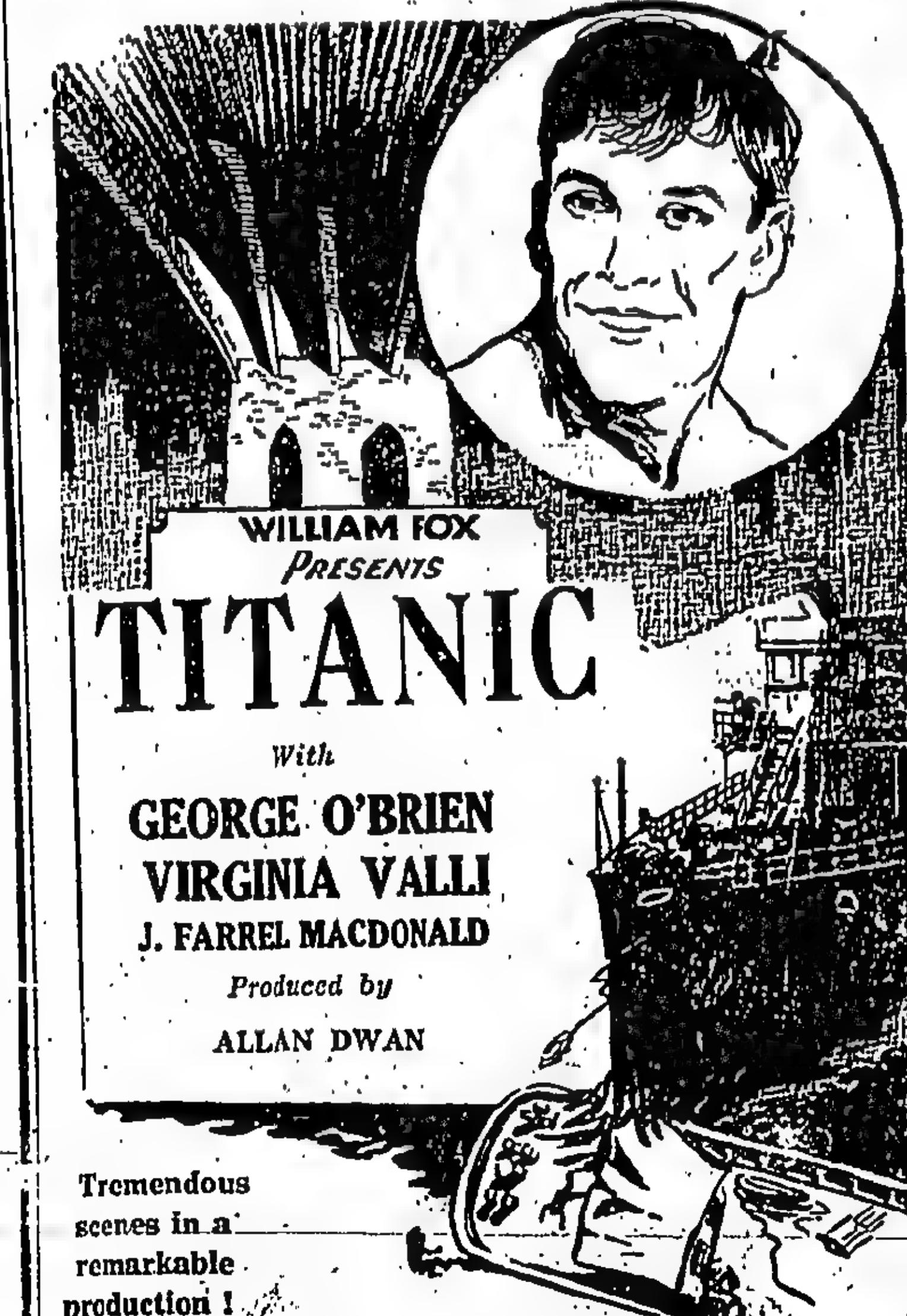
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"THEY LITTLE KNOW OF
ENGLAND," ETC.

KEEN MEMORY.

[By Evelyn Sharp.]

It is very entertaining to be taken about London by a visitor from overseas. We begin by thinking that we are going to take him about, and we end by discovering how little we know of England that only England knows. He, on the contrary, who knows the Dominions too, knows an England we have almost forgotten, because of our tendency to allow the events of yesterday to obliterate those of the day before. We remember vividly the last thing that happened to us, not the thing before last, which may sometimes be the thing that goes on for ever.

But the visitor from overseas, remembering unfailingly the eternal things that do not change, also keeps stored, in his mind all the little transient details that to us have passed like a watch in the night. In exile, he reads and notes everything that has happened in the old country since he left it—every royal marriage, every change of Government, every industrial upheaval, every theatrical vogue, every button that is changed in our soldier's uniform and every submarine that is scrapped—all the things, big or little, that go to make up his England, the England that in his eyes does not change, in spite of many changes. So when he refuses to be swept off his feet by the new Regent-street or the new Labour party, by one-way traffic or Russian ballet, he is not being in the least superior or "colonial." Seeing at last with his own eyes what he has read about for years, he is merely confirming anticipations.

THE BIG BEN OF DREAMS.

It comes with the shock of revelation to find, as one goes about day after day with one of these visitors from the other side, how the old loyalties remain unconquered by the new, though the new in their way have become as indelible, and nothing could ever now destroy, in our exile his proud citizenship of the New World. Hundreds of times do we hear Big Ben strike without any more emotion than is provoked by the sound of the dinner bell. But our guest stands entranced in Parliament Square as it booms out the hour, and then turns to us and says: "Every evening, when I sit down to dinner at seven o'clock, I turn on the radio to hear Big Ben strike midnight." Every evening, to make sure, I suppose, that England is still there. Just as, although he would furiously reject the idea that he wants to change the government of the Dominions into a limited monarchy and retains enough of his old ironic humour to smile at mob enthusiasm for a baby princess, he prowls happily round Buckingham Palace and St. James's to see that other things, which to him equally spell the thing he calls England in his mind, have changed as little as Big Ben.

We go to Madame Tussaud's because that, too, is a pillar of the Old World; and here again it is he who takes us round. For it is not we who can recognise at a glance every famous general and modern statesman, every living royalty and President. Over here, where celebrities of this kind are as common as peas, most of us would scarcely cross the road to see one of them; and we take their features for granted. But when they go on an overseas

tour—and a month in the company of an overseas visitor leaves us with the impression that they do little else—every man, woman, and child in the Dominion turns out to see them. They stand, like Big Ben, for an England to which distance lends a magic enchantment that we sometimes fail to realise in our dealings with these exiles who are dear to us.

THE POLICEMAN WHO KNOWS.

But the London policeman does not fail to realise it. Perhaps he knows that he too stands for the unchangeable in the British Empire; and that is why, at the first sound of a voice with an overseas tint in it, he is transformed from a monument of impassivity into a friend and a father. He takes our exile literally by the arm, conducts him to safety across the one-way street, exchanged war experiences with him, and tells him in the same breath the Court fixtures for the week and the best places from which to view them; in short, so completely grasps the overseas mentality that we are left feeling utterly inadequate to show anybody round the London that we foolishly thought we knew, because we had never left it to make a New World.

There are others, too, besides the policeman. We stand in the lower department of a large store—I am sorry, but after my recent experiences I can no more call it a shop—I can call the morning a post—and we discuss the superiority of the Dominion pony and the inferiority of the Dominion larkspur. In an instant a grand vizier in a frock-coat is at our side with a large bunch of what he calls delphiniums, and our friend is being conducted to the main entrance in order that he may study the tints of our English varieties by daylight. We others, who merely grow larkspur in our back gardens, might talk about them till we are as blue in the face as they, and no frock-coated personage would throw us so much as a petal. Nor does the omnibus conductor ever take us tenderly out of the wrong bus and lead us down the street to the right one, with added instructions for future guidance. Far from it, indeed! We who live in little old London, who have, in fact, made London what it is for overseas visitors to lose themselves in, are flung contemptuously out of the omnibus on the pavement—I mean, of course, the sidewalk,—whether it is the right or the wrong omnibus.

For something like a month of golden days we have basked in reflected glory. The man in the street, the man in the store, the official, and the commoner have all combined to show us an England whose existence we had almost forgotten, and showed it to us simply because we were accompanied by a visitor who called a lift an elevator and a bus ticket a check. We found it a very pleasant England to pass a summer month in, an England full of kindly, satisfied people who do not seem to want it changed, and are content with flags and bands and scarlet uniforms, and little princesses and big generals and wax celebrities and well-wedded flower beds and perfect lawns, and lots of cricket and strawberry ices—I mean, of course, ice-cream. A pleasant England indeed, if that were all of it and if only one could feel it were quite real! But we weakly stifle the horrid impression that it may not be, because, real or unreal, it is the England that makes life endurable to the dear exiles we send inexorably overseas to build a New World. "Manchester Guardian."

Rosaline Piggott, aged 83, was found hanged in an outhouse in White Cross-street, Brighton. When they go on an overseas

Writing in the London "Evening News," Max Pemberton, well-known English writer, says:—

"I read in an American journal a discussion as to which is the most beautiful city in the world; and I am not surprised that the writer names Quebec, and names it with emphasis."

We cannot wonder at the literary enthusiasm Quebec has provoked.

"The majestic appearance of Cape Diamond," says one writer, "the fortifications, the cupolas, and minarets, like those of an Eastern city, blazing and sparkling in the sun, the noble, beauteous like a sheet of pure silver, in which might abide with safety the navel of the world, the graceful meanderings of the River St. Lawrence, the fertile valley dotted with picturesque habitant houses, the distant falls of Montmorency, the grim purple mountains, the barriers to the North, form a picture which it is no exaggeration to say is unsurpassed in any part of the world."

It is easy to applaud such chauvinism when one has, as I have, set foot in Quebec and been received with that courtly hospitality for which its people are famous.

Naturally, romance is never far away from such a picture. There is a story told of the Lord Nelson and of one Miles Pringle, who served under Wolfe and subsequently served Wolfe. This fellow

THEATRE IN INDIA.

THE VIEWS OF AN OLYMPIC
GUEST.

"HIGHBROW" STUFF.

Not all critics of our British drama of the moment are either hostile or contemptuous. It was a little heartening, for instance, to come across an extremely well-equipped observer who had quite a number of good words to say for it. He was Mr. G. D. Sonohi, of the Indian Education Service, who was over in England primarily as secretary to the Indian Olympic team.

On his way to Amsterdam Mr. Sonohi, who happened to be keenly interested in the drama as a force for good, made a round of the British theatres with a view to seeing what ideas—and actual plays—he could take back with him to India. His views were not by any means those of a crank or impractical idealist. Mr. Sonohi is an all-round sportsman with a wide knowledge of men and affairs, and was a particularly good five-miler in his younger days. On the other hand, his views were not always those of the average London playgoer.

The things that stirred him most were not the big West End successes. He preferred what is roughly known as the "highbrow" stuff. He was anxious to know about Mr. Terence Gray's work at the Cambridge Festival Theatre, Mr. Bernard Pagan's at Oxford, the Welwyn "cup-winners," the repertory theatres at Birmingham and Liverpool, and Mr. Nugent Monck's little Maddermarket playhouse at Norwich, to which he made a special visit. Of the London plays he was much impressed by Mr. Galsworthy's "Justice," but the musical comedies—American and otherwise—left him cold.

Folk Drama.

It was very pleasant to know from Mr. Sonohi that, however, conscious of short-comings we may be, he has found very much more thoughtful and wholesome life in the English theatre than he had been led to believe from the examples sent to India. "What we see in India," said he, "apart from amateur productions, is only the commercial drama, which does not help to any mutual understanding or artistic growth."

He emphasised the fact that native India is a country where folk-drama is still a vital and regular thing. Accordingly all plays, which come next to folk-drama in spirit—plays of deep sincerity on the one hand and of simple and unsophisticated humour on the other—are those which will appeal. In particular plays that can be done either in the open air or in every makeshift little theatres are what is wanted.

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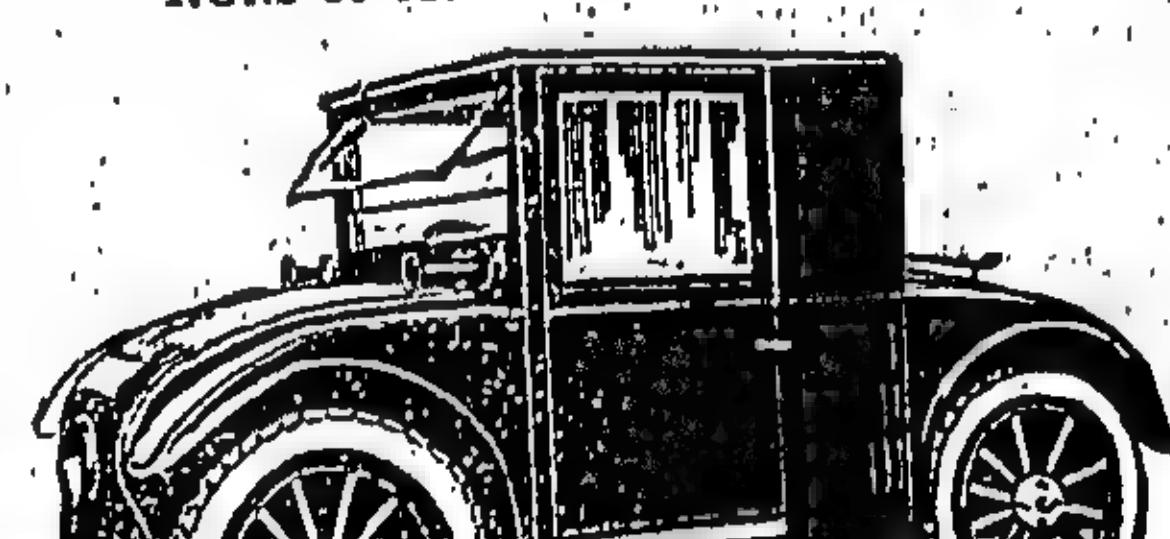
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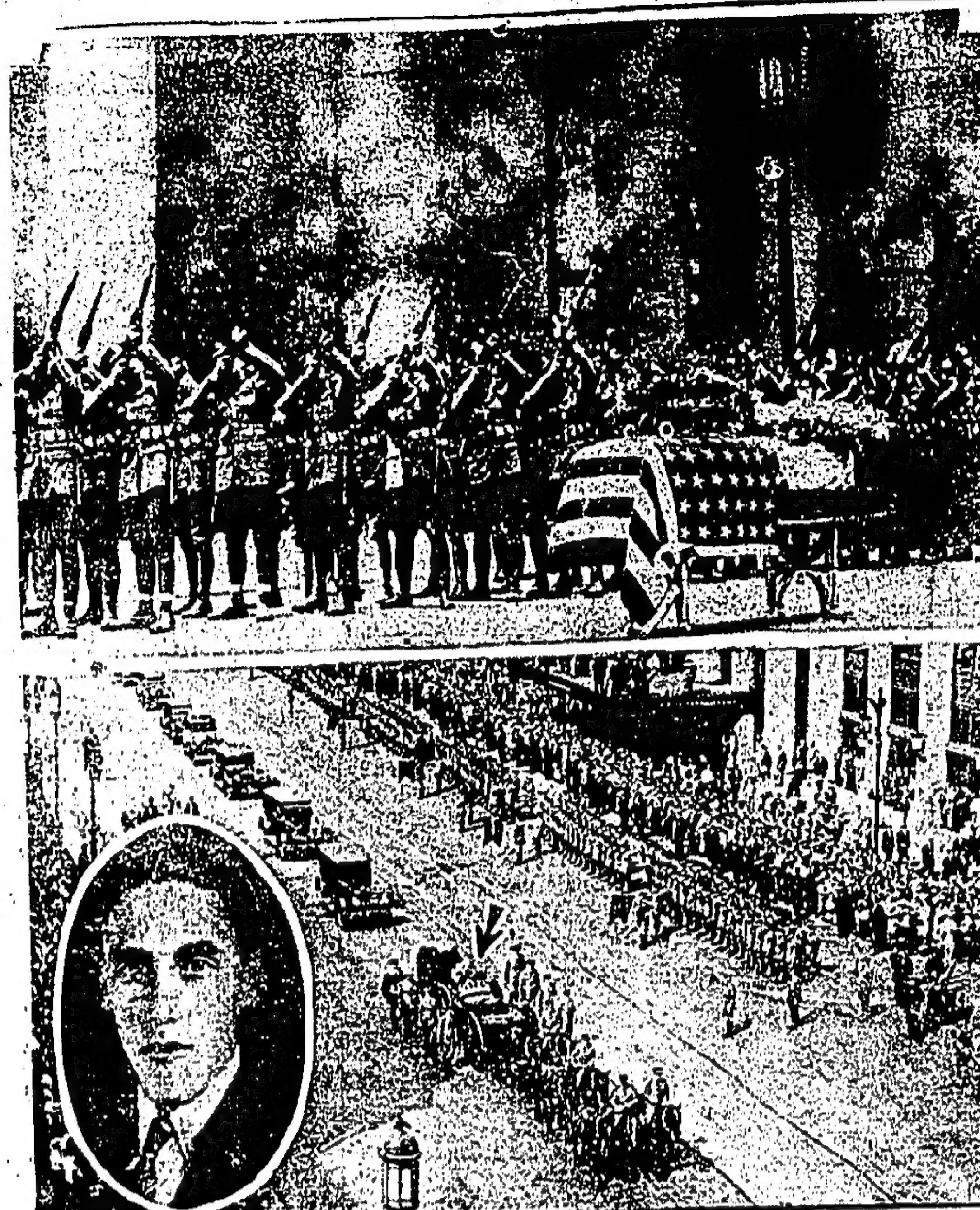
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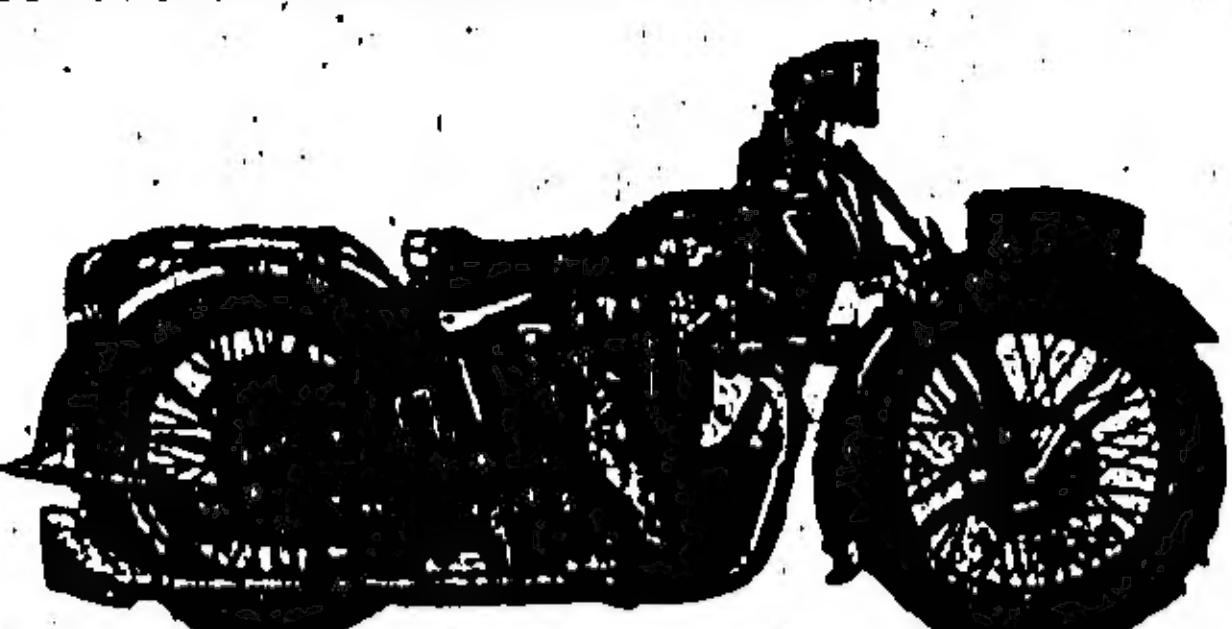
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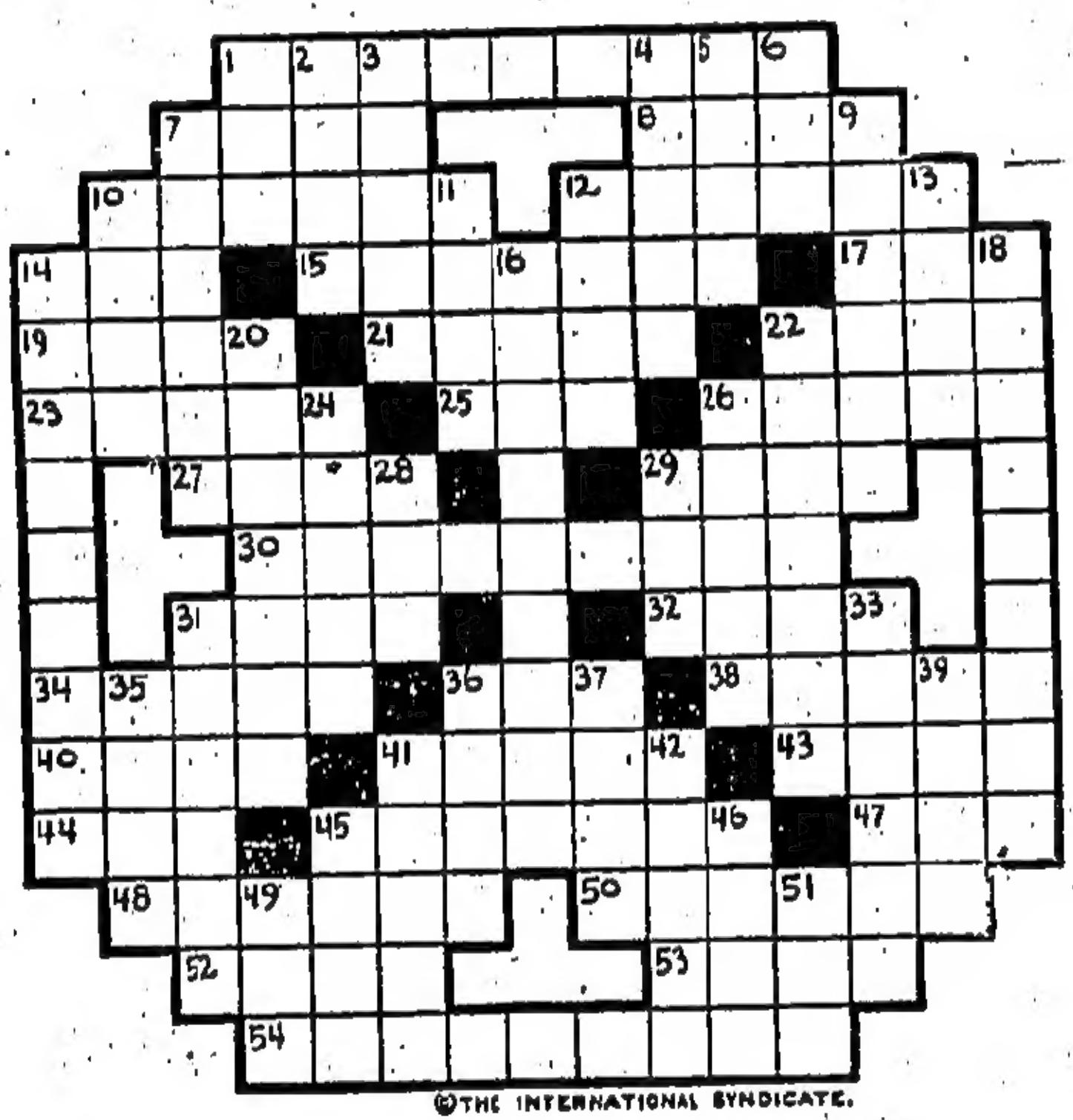


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HORIZONTAL

1-Auspicious
7-Frenzied and healer
8-Associated with
"Every day in
every way"
8-Inflamed
10-Stockade for
capturing
elephants
12-Clean
14-Small metal vessel
15-Surgeon's knife
17-Childish name for
parent
19-Eject
21-That on which a
tire rests
22-Draft animal
23-Indistinctances
Indistinctly
25-Continued violent
noise
26-Becomes fatigued
27-Strip of wood
28-Fine whitestone
30-Taking dimensions
31-Hastened
32-Chums

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

34-Sury
35-Support
38-Animal allied to the
monkeys
41-Man's name
43-Ascend
44-Cannibalized person
(abbr.)
45-Oscillating
47-Conducted
48-Less difficult
50-Drove, as a coach
53-Thin, nail
54-Crushed

VERTICAL

1-In place of
2-Pronoun
3-To act in response
4-Invited
5-Labor
6-Eagle
7-Chief magistrate of
Roman Republic
9-Put up with
10-Small net
11-Boy

SUGGESTIONS FOR SOLVING CROSS-WORD PUZZLES
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BRIGHTLY SAID.

[*"Premature Epitaphs,"* by Kensal Green. (Cecil Palmer, London.)]

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"SAPPER" IN FORM.

[*"The Female of the Species,"* by "Sapper" (H. C. McNeile). (Hodder and Stoughton, London.)]

Three hundred and twelve pages crammed full of excitement. Bulldog Drummond at his best, and his coolest, humming the Froth Blowers Anthem and quietly quaffing his very necessary beer whilst right under his nose his enemies are seeking his life and have kidnapped his wife. Carl Peterson was dead and the account between him and Bulldog Drummond appeared settled but an important factor was missing from the balance sheet—Irma—Petersen's lovely mistress and helpmate! Irma's desire for vengeance bordered on madness and her wits were sharp, but no crude methods would satisfy her. A treasure hunt with Phyllis, the wife of Bulldog Drummond as the treasure—that was her campaign. When Bulldog Drummond and Irma met then indeed did he realize that the female of the species is more deadly than the male. The final scene holds one breathless. One of Sapper's best. Enough said.

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vincing and the translators, Edgar and Cedar Paul, are to be complimented on their performance. The rest of the book may interest many but it will convince few. This is not surprising for it is the work of a Jew who is writing about a person in whose divinity he does not believe, and for people who regard the subject of his pen as the Son of God. The result is that one gets the impression that all the time he was writing this book, which has probably brought its author much money, Herr Ludwig's tongue was in his cheek. When he comes across any difficulty such as, the miracles he avoids it. The story of the wedding wine at Cana is explained as a piece of hypnotism, through a wall—the water was not really changed into wine: the people only thought so. The defection of Judas, the financier who doubts the sanctity of his master, is cleverly portrayed whereas the crucifixion and the subsequent disappearance of the body are weakly represented.

The book might be described as an up-to-date Jesus romance with no theology or discordant note of doubt, written for novel readers who do not care for heavy stuff, and suitable for kinematic reproduction. If the reader wants a life of Jesus backed by weight of scholarship, reasonable feeling for critical problems, and refined gravity of critical survey he had better stick to Renan: if he desires a copious scientific and historiographical though somewhat dry-as-dust study he can wade through Warschauer, Klausner and Bustmann.

Herr Ludwig's "pot-boiler" reads easily (the translation seems to have been well done) and the book is enhanced by the reproduction of eight "excellent" etchings by Rembrandt.

THE PACIFIC: A FORECAST.

(By P. T. Etherton and H. H. Tiltmann (Ernest Benn, Ltd.) 12/6.)

In this most fascinating and "meaty" volume Colonel Etherton and Mr. Tiltmann endeavour to examine the Pacific world in all its bearings in a spirit of impartiality free from sentiment and bias, and to turn the searchlight of investigation on to its many problems. Not the least of these are the future of China with its vast storehouse of unexplored raw materials, and the adjustment of clashing interests in the development of this, the largest undeveloped market in the world.

In chapter one an interesting survey of the history of the Pacific since the appearance there of Magellan is given. This is followed by a very clear account of the rise of Japan to a first class power and her relations with Britain and America. The writers have some interesting, daring, and treachant things to say about Australia's empty spaces, and Japan's dense population, and make the daring prediction that Canberra may one day be the capital of the British Empire. The Singapore Naval Base is discussed; the friction between America and Japan is explained, the future industrialisation of China is envisaged, and a realistic description of an imaginary war between Japan and the U.S.A. is cleverly portrayed. Every now and then the authors, who seem to have consulted a great number of standard books on various subjects, branch off into descriptions of modern airplanes, searchlights, how chemists are working to get oil from coal etc. They even give a short account of the Bounty mutiny. The result is that the book is as intriguing as any romance, and if the reader does not agree with some of the daring conjectures and forecasts, that only makes the volume more thought-provoking.

Some of the excerpts are arresting: thus after touring Australia in 1914 the Chinese Consul declared: "I saw more trees than men. The Almighty gave Australia to the Australians, and they could not use it, so he took it away from them and gave it to the English. If the English do not use it He will doubtless take it away from them." In a discussion as to whether Australia can remain "White" with so many Japanese and Chinese looking at her empty

areas the writers say: "In the immediate future the contest between Japan and Australia will be a keen one. While there is no justification for the view that brains and science alone can make an industrial nation, there can be little doubt that Australia, populated by virile citizens, with its temperate climate, magnificent geographical position, adequate resources, and the skill of the Motherland behind it, is destined to become one of the key nations of the Pacific. Yet the Australians evince but a slight interest, and sometimes actual opposition,

to any scheme for transfer to their empty acres of the population which must be secured if the opportunity is to be exploited. It is a form of moral obligation upon Australians to accommodate in their great country every suitable Briton desirous of settling there. Events of the next few years must convince those who govern Australia that if the position in the Pacific is to be maintained, plans more far-reaching than the existing ones must be formulated."

These pregnant sentences are typical of most of this bold and interesting book. It is a volume that should be studied by merchants and those interested in Pacific problems. We can confidently recommend it.

AT MONTE CARLO.

[*"Full Passionate Mood,"* by Nellie Tom Gallon. The Savoy Library, The Diamond Press, Ltd., London. 8/6 net.]

The story opens by introducing the Hero, Dennis Reay, a journalist from Fleet-street, on holiday at Monte Carlo, where he looked upon life and those around him with a somewhat cynical aspect.

He encounters adventure at the Casino, and in the second and third chapters meets the other main characters of the story.

Excitements and mysteries follow one another, but Reay is recalled suddenly to Fleet-street, and according to his own idea, to work and forgetfulness.

The story quickly returns to excitement and mystery, for though the title does not suggest it, this is essentially a mystery story. All the characters Reay met at Monte Carlo are turn brought into the scene, and one is puzzled as to whether they play a minor or passive part in the story which follows.

Reay himself, regards Christine Etheridge, the heroine, as an adventuress who has infatuated his wealthy and elderly cousin, and warns him against her, and the climax of the plot occurs when Reay's cousin is found shot dead.

The closing chapters deal with the straightening up of the mystery, the proving of the murder to be an accident, and the opening of the hero's eyes, so that he realises his love for Christine. We are led to presume that "they live happily ever after," but the other characters are disposed of rather too conveniently to be interesting, though one realises that they all play their part in the plot successfully.

This book is very light reading, and holds one's interest, being sufficiently a mystery story without having too involved a plot, so can be recommended to those to whom this type of literature appeals.

THE GRAECO-ROMAN LEGACY.

We are apt to speak of civilisations of Greece and Rome, as though they differed from our own. While it is true that their empires crumbled into dust, yet their civilisation was the foundation of the present civilisation of Europe. Upon their art and science, and letters, and philosophy, were founded ours. This volume purports to show in a simple manner, the Graeco-Roman legacy to European thought and organisation, and at the same time, to present a short history of these two empires of antiquity. It is a book which may be recommended to students of history, as it gives a finer idea of social and cultural tendencies in the old *Mediterranea* civilisation than most of the smaller histories. It is profusely illustrated, and has 14 maps, which help to elucidate the changing boundaries.

[*"The Story of Greece and Rome,"* by J. C. Robertson, M.A., and H. G. Robertson, Ph.D. Victoria College, University of Toronto. London, Dent.]

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THE GERMAN WAR LOAN FRAUD.

STINNES' CASE.

AN EX-FRENCH DEPUTY WHO "OWNED MARKS 28,000,000."

VON WALDOW'S POSSESSION.

Berlin, Yesterday.

Hugo Stinnes, interrogated by the Judge, absolutely denied that he was aware the money with which he had been provided by von Waldow to purchase War Loan stock was being used for illegal purposes. He said that at the suggestion of von Waldow he financed, to the extent of £20,000 a French group which possessed a large amount of war loan.

Subsequently he learned that the group consisted of three foreigners who had founded a company in Paris for the sole purpose of buying German Government securities. Persons in Paris signed affidavits that they were the original holders of German War Loan and were consequently entitled to a higher revaluation than the new holders. He also stated that an ex-French deputy declared that he owned 28,000,000 marks' worth of War

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WHEN HONG KONG IS TOLERANT.

EVILS BIG & SMALL.

WATER SUPPLY ONE OF GROUP OF PROBLEMS.

NO "ARMY OF KENWORTHYS."

[By "Seligmunde"—Special to the "China Mail."]

George was showing me a letter which he had recently received from a friend in Shanghai. One passage in the note immediately claimed my attention:

"I have kicked about so many things down your way that it's high time you fellows start to sit up and do something yourselves. If such things were to happen up here, we would never tolerate them. We are very alert, and see to it that anything wrong is adjusted before any great length of time."

And so, to come to the point as briefly as possible, it is a matter of wonder—and great regret—that the citizens of Hong Kong have hitherto been so tolerant of the many evils, both big and small which, by reason of their being altogether unjustified, stand as a heavy mark of disgrace to the name of the Colony.

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ROCKEFELLER'S WORDS.

There is, for instance, the question of the water supply. The majority of those who are not directly affected by the restrictions are disinclined to do anything for the betterment of prevailing conditions. It looks as though there will be more days in the year when rationing prevails than when there is a constant supply. Petitions and complaints bring forth no redress beyond the assurance, perhaps, that the Government has the matter in hand and is giving it every attention. Such assurances are all very well, but are not of any help in the efforts to alleviate the suffering of those hundreds of unfortunate whose lot it is to be unable to live on the Peak or Mid-levels. John D. Rockefeller has said something to the effect, I believe, that wealth is no wealth unless it may be employed as a medium to further the cause of humanity. Thus, even though we may share the palace of the gods, it is our bounden duty to hearken to the cry of the masses.

THEIR NAME IS LEGION.

There are at our finger-tips a whole group of subjects which demand immediate treatment. There is the high rent evil, of which we have heard so much in the course of the past few days. There is the beggar problem; the allegedly underpaid junior officers of the Government service; the matter of market stalls; the question of strict censorship in respect of the vernacular Press; the building regulations; and, not to be long-winded—the most important matter of popular representation on the Legislative Council. If the desired results of these and kindred problems are achieved within the limit of the present writer's life-time, then Hong Kong-ites, you are men! So now, those citizens who take an earnest pride in the Colony and its varied affairs, rally to the standard that will lead everyone here to a brighter and more glorious era!

And lastly, a word or two to Mr. J. P. Braga, and Mr. Ho In and others with the same determination and purpose—continue in your good work and win the gratitude of the multitude!

LABOUR ORGANISER AND U.S.A.

MILD FLUTTER.

PASSPORT REFUSED VISE BY CONSUL-GENERAL.

A QUERY.

Washington, Yesterday.

As the result of the representations of labour circles the State Department has cabled to Mr. Halstead, United States Consul-General in London, asking why he refused to vise the passport of Mr. Mark Starr, the British Labour organiser thereby preventing him from visiting the United States in connection with a course of lectures on the British Labour Movement at Brookwood Labour College.—Reuter's American Service.

ROY ANDREWS.

SAYS EXPEDITION SANCTIONED BY PEKING.

"OIL PROSPECTING."

Peking, Yesterday.

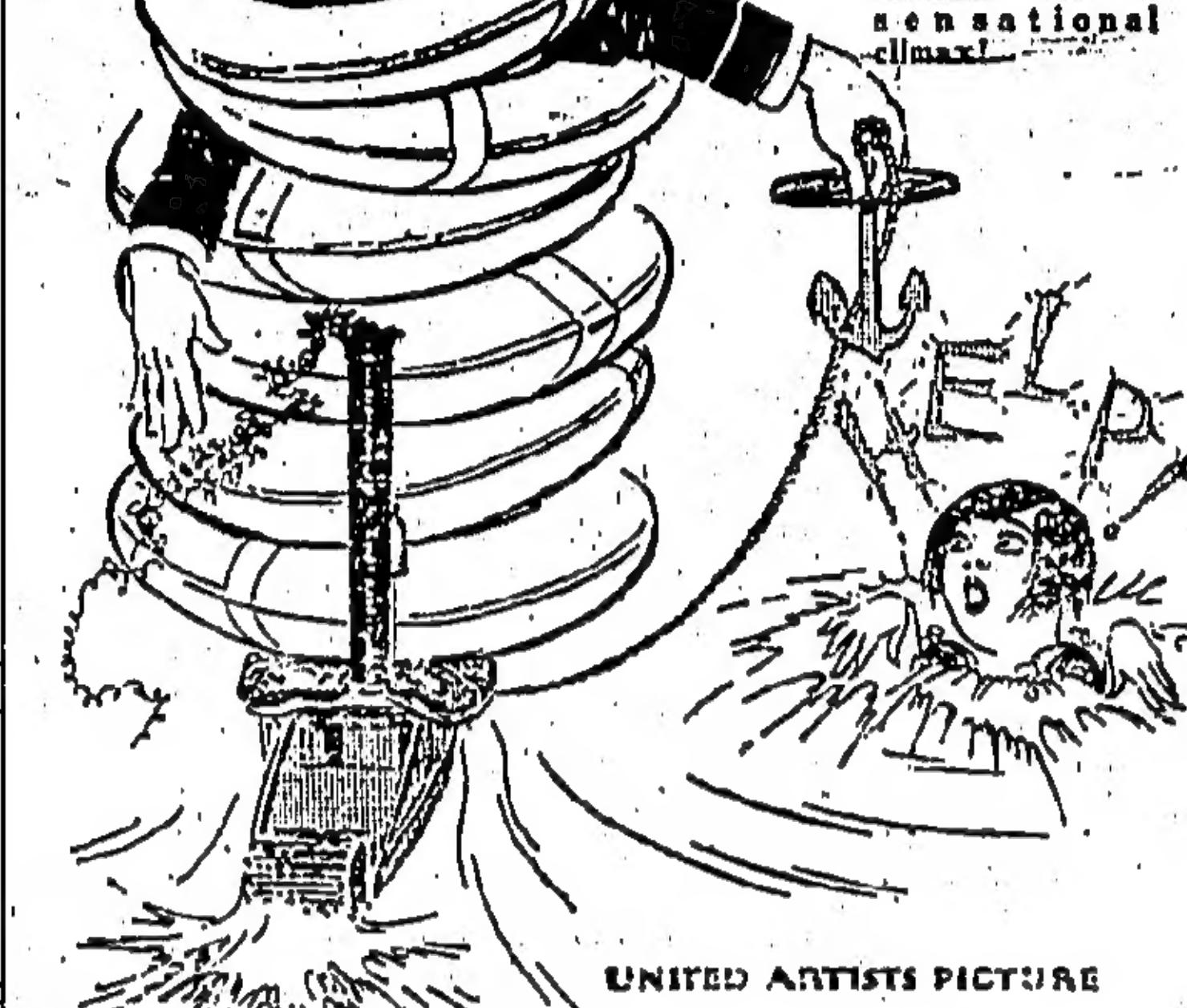
Roy Andrews discussed the detention of his specimens with the Charge d'Affaires, Mr. Perkins, this morning. It is understood that Mr. Andrews' position is that he went on the expedition with the sanction of the Government then existing in Peking, and Mr. MacMurray sponsored the trip, seeing them off beyond Kalgan.

Roy Andrews declares that theelles cannot be considered as curios as they have no market value, but are valuable only for scientific purposes. He ridicules the suggestion that he prospected for oil.

Mr. Andrews has not yet been officially informed that his boxes have been detained.—Reuter.

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